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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day.

(May 14.)

Ascension Day.
Holy Thursday.
Legislative Council Meeting.
Bibliothèque Française Meeting.
French Consulate, 3 p.m.
Lawn Tennis Association Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Hell's Angels."
World Theatre: "Enemy Beauty."
Central Theatre: "Rango."
King Theatre: "Under Suspicion."

Dances: Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances, Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel.

Friday.

(May 15.)

Hong Kong Volunteers, Annual Dinner and Prize-giving, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Hell's Angels."
World Theatre: "Enemy Beauty" (Chinese film).

Central Theatre: "Rango."
King's Theatre: "Under Suspicion."

Dances: Tea Dance, H.K. Hotel.
Dinner Dances, Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel, and Hotel Cecil.
European Mail.—Inward: Europe via Negapatnam (Kutsum). Outward: Europe via Suez (Hakusan Maru), 6 p.m.

Saturday.

(May 16.)

China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., Meeting, King's Bldg., 11 a.m.

Lawn Bowls.—First Division: Kowloon B.C.C. v. Civil Service, Craigengower C.C. v. Police, Recreation Club v. Kowloon Dock, Tai Koo v. Kowloon C.C.; Second Division: Civil Service v. Craigengower, H.K. Electric v. Tai Koo, Yacht Club v. Kowloon B.C.C., Kowloon C.C. v. Recreation.

Racing.—Fifth Extra Meeting (Happy Valley).
Queen's Theatre: "Hell's Angels."
World Theatre: "Enemy Beauty" (Chinese film).

Central Theatre: "Rango."
King's Theatre: "Under Suspicion."

Dances: Tea Dances, H.K. and Peninsula Hotels; Dinner Dances, Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.
Royal Corps of Signals, Open Air Dance, Whitfield Barracks, 8 p.m.
European Mail.—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Pres. Madison) 5 p.m.

MARRIAGE WITHOUT MOTHERHOOD.

WOMAN BARRISTER'S VIGOROUS PROTEST.

ANOTHER BLOW AT THE RIGHTS OF HUSBANDS.

For centuries the policy of the English legalists was directed towards two grand objects in matters of family law. One was to blend husband and wife into one artificial synthetic person—the husband. The other was to secure that he should not have to rear as his own his wife's child by another man.

The gradual emancipation of women freed from the husband's control the wife's independent earnings and property, and released her (by the celebrated Jackson decision of 1891) from having to live under her husband's roof.

The Supreme Court of the State of New York just carried matters a step further by deciding that Mr. Alfred H. Kahn cannot obtain the annulment of his marriage on the ground that his wife has declined to bear him children.

The case is regarded as a straight forward test of the right of a wife to take certain measures without the consent of her husband. The New York Supreme Court has decided that a wife has such a right, and that the right persists even if it violates any pre-nuptial promise to bear children.

The decision is momentous—even more momentous than the celebrated Jackson case.

As matters now stand in England, it seems that a wife cannot be compelled to dwell with her husband; cannot be coerced into cohabitation with him; cannot be made to pay into a joint home any part of her income; cannot be restrained from the use of her husband's surname, even if divorced and however much she may disgrace him; and cannot be proceeded against for a separation under the 1805 Act for desertion, cruelty or drunkenness.

Same in England.

To add to all that, if she evades any promise to continue her husband's and her own racial line and obstinately chooses not to fulfil one of the major purposes of marriage—many would say the major purpose—the marriage cannot be annulled.

The leading case, it is true, is so far operative only in America, but I believe it would be just as good law here, if a similar case should be brought in our own Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division, and for the following reason:

The law relating to annulment of marriage was settled long ago, years before the discovery of modern methods of preventing births. The law has not contemplated those practices, and has, therefore, provided no remedy for their abuse. Quite probably that is the position which the Supreme Court of the State of New York has had to face, for its matrimonial law strongly resembles our own.

The more that women are released from obligations the more a certain unthinking type of feminist rejoices. The fact that a married woman cannot be imprisoned for debt makes that sort of "feminist" happy, just as it makes the fraudulent woman trader happy too. They join in celebration like the bootlegger and the Prohibitionist.

The fact that if a husband and wife conspire together to commit arson, murder, or any other felony, and the husband alone carries out the joint plan, makes another situation delightful for abstract justice to contemplate, for, as husband and wife are legally one person, and it takes at least two to make a conspiracy, the husband stands a ninety-nine per cent. chance of solitary punishment.

Only in those rare cases where the wife can be got at as necessary before the fact is she in any real danger. Exultation at these anomalies is as the cracking of thorns beneath the pot: mere fool's laughter. They make thinking women sick.

Rights of Women.

It looks very much as if the one and only duty now left for a wife is not to be detected in adultery. Short of that, she can do pretty much what she will under English law. A few years ago one heard much about the right of women to maternity. Now it is the right to sterility which is formally conferred in the American State.

Birth control may be an excellent thing when it lessens the multiplication of the unfit, or gives babies a better chance of survival. But if a healthy wife is to refuse motherhood, when her husband is healthy and is not poor, as a mere matter of self-indulgent personal whim, what type of marriage is she truly fulfilling? A position where woman takes all and gives nothing is below human dignity.

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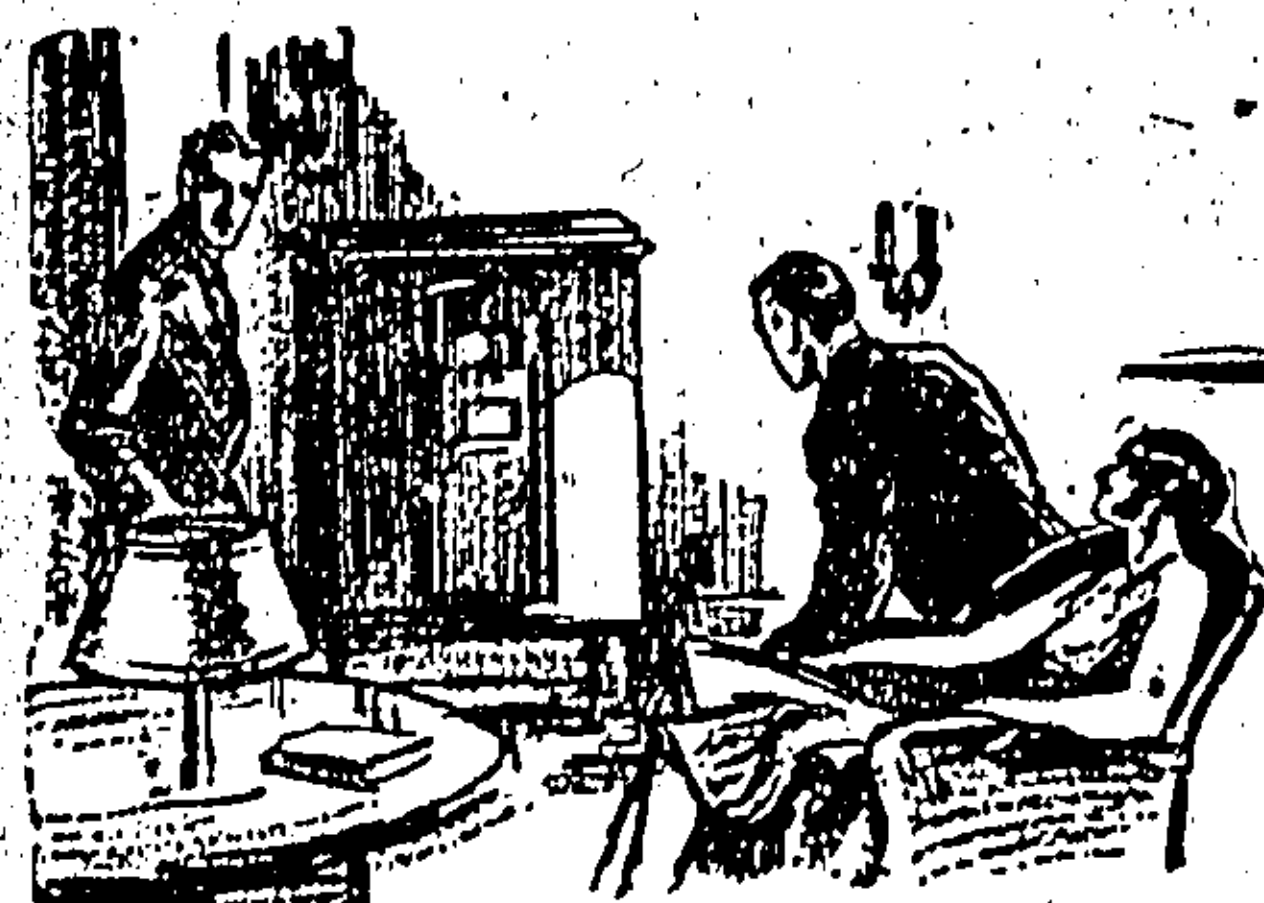
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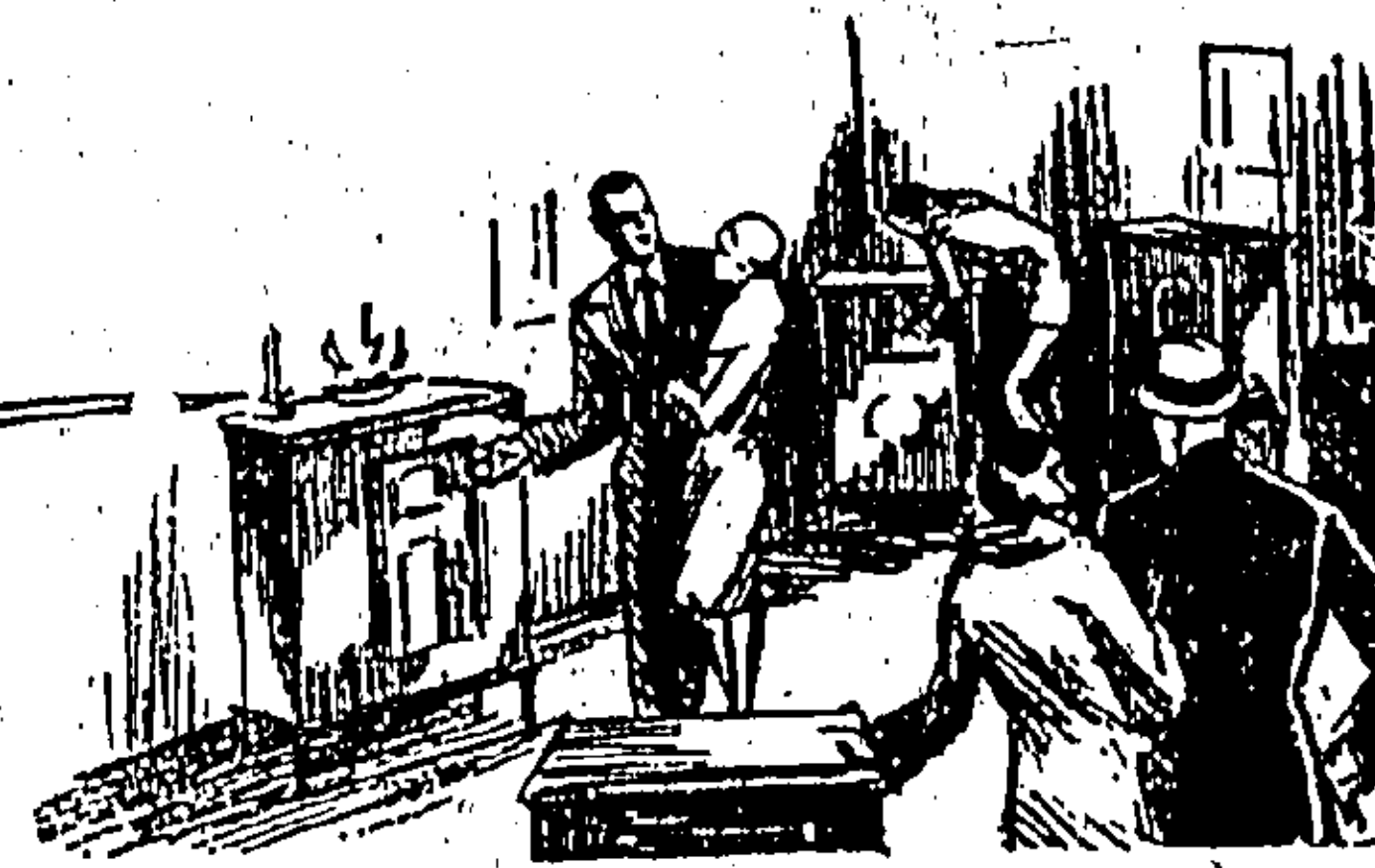
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WIRELESS IN TEN YEARS' TIME.

MARCHESE MARCONI'S VISION OF THE FUTURE.

The Marchese Marconi, making one of his periodic visits to London, discussed with Pressmen the future of wireless in ten years' time. Briefly summed up, some of the Marchese's visions of the future are:-

- (1) Wireless will be universal.
- (2) Television will be on a commercial basis.
- (3) War will be made more difficult by the development of wireless.
- (4) Although there are no signs yet that wireless will be able to assist the propelling power of ordinary traffic, the control of aeroplanes without a pilot will be possible.
- (5) The development of short-wave lengths will probably have revolutionised all the present wireless conceptions.

"I am afraid I have little that is sensational to forecast," the Marchese said.

"At the present time, we are in an experimental stage, but the experiments of the short-wave system which my assistants and I are carrying out for the Research Organisation of the Italian Government—and about which I may have something to say in a few months time—are altering values rapidly.

"To begin with, wireless will become much cheaper and of far more general use. It may be said to be almost universal now, but in ten years' time it will have made the world very small. People will telephone to Australia as easily as they do now to the Crystal Palace. I do not want to be too definite, but there is a great chance that individual subscribers will have wireless telephones in their houses in the next decade.

"Then in ten years television should have developed and arrived as a practical aid to entertainment. I doubt if it will be used for much else than for that."

Television and the Press.

I asked, says a Pressman, Marchese Marconi how he thought television would affect newspapers.

"Whatever happens, I think newspapers will live and flourish," he replied. "As life gets more and more rapid, people will need their newspapers, where they can find the news which interests them, rather than have to sit through watching sheets of news on a screen until they find something they wish to know."

I then asked the Marchese how wireless in ten years' time would affect the possibilities of war.

"I think," he said, "that the development of wireless will tend to make war less likely. It will

bring the world closer together, and the better you know people the better you like them. Again, technical developments in wireless may help to destroy the possibility of surprise and so make war against an unprepared nation more difficult, but it is mutual understanding that will really diminish the possibility of war.

"Another development which will come quite shortly is facsimile transmission. Already—although slowly—sketches and telegrams are being transcribed in this way, but in ten years' time this will be a commonplace. Telegrams will be delivered in the hand-writing of the sender or in shorthand, for perhaps everyone will use typescript by then."

Wireless Propulsion.

A chance remark of the Marchese that wireless was in a way the transmission of power made me ask if he foresaw wireless playing an important part in the propelling of vehicles.

"There is no sign of that at the present time," he replied, "al-

though experiments are being made. In the case of aeroplanes, however, although wireless cannot give propelling powers, it will certainly be possible to control, say, a bombing fleet of planes without risking the lives of any pilots. But there will be nothing to prevent the enemy from sending out an approximate wave length, and, at least, neutralising this attack—even if not redirecting it against the original senders.

"But to return to our immediate problems. It is the short-wave length which is engaging my active attention at the present time. If we can overcome this problem, we shall also overcome the problem of the congestion of the ether. For there are many more channels in the short-wave lengths.

"Its immediate practical application will be, I hope, that collision at sea may be made more difficult, for by the use of these short-wave lengths a ship will be able to place a band around itself which will make its position known to any other ship which enters the band."

HAVE YOU HEARD THESE?

Here are lists of long-wave and short-wave stations which should be picked up by anyone in Hong Kong who has a moderately good set suitable for receiving such signals. Success in picking up these stations also depends very largely upon favourable atmospheric conditions. Readers are invited to add to this list should they succeed in picking up any station not included in either of these lists.

LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycles
250	Manila	K.Z.B.	1,153
277	Shanghai	K.M.S.	1,085
330	Tientsin	C.R.C.	1,070
310	Shanghai	K.R.C.	987
320	Peking	C.O.P.K.	945
345	Tokyo	J.O.A.K.	870
353	Hiroshima	J.O.F.K.	860
355	Hong Kong	Z.B.W.	848
357	Bombay	V.U.B.	840
361	Sapporo	J.O.I.K.	830
363	Keijo	J.O.D.K.	820
370	Nagoya	J.O.C.K.	810
370.4	Calcutta	V.U.O.	808.9
380	Kumamoto	J.O.H.K.	790
385	Sendai	J.O.H.K.	770
390	Daiken	J.D.A.K.	760
398	Rangoon	V.U.R.	754
400	Osaka	J.O.B.K.	750
410	Canton	C.M.B.	733
413	Manila	K.Z.R.M.	726

SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo Cycles	Time (Hong Kong) of Working
67.65	Dobitz (Germany)	A.F.K.	4,424	Mon. Wed. & Fri. 6 p.m. & 2 a.m.
66.12	Khabarovsk (Russia)	R.A.07.	4,390	6—10 p.m.
66.7	Nauenw	A.G.J.	4,391	Not regular
60.	London	B.F.N.	4,900	Tues. Thurs. Sat. 8 p.m.
43.5	Rome	I.M.A.	6,890	Sunday midnight
42.	Perth	G.A.G.	7,142	Daily 6.30 p.m. & 11 p.m.
41.3	Singapore	V.S.I.A.B.	7,210	Not regular
38.8	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	7,730	Daily 11 p.m.
37.	Bangkok (Siam)	H.S.A.P.J.	6,108	Tues. & Fri. 0 p.m.—1 a.m.
35.5	Sydney	S.B.L.	9,230	Not regular
31.65	Melbourne	S.L.O.	9,603	Not regular
31.48	Schenectady	W.Z.X.A.F.	9,630	Daily 7 a.m.
31.20	Elmhoven (Holland)	P.C.J.	9,630	Fri. 9 a.m. Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m.
31.28	Sydney	Z.F.C.	9,690	Not regular
31.	Nairobi (Kenya)	T.L.O.	9,677	Midnight daily
28.5	Sydney	S.M.E.	10,638	Not regular
27.8	Bandoeng	P.L.H.	11,029	Midnight—3 a.m. daily
25.53	Chelmsford (England)	S.H.W.	11,761	7.30 p.m. & 8 a.m. daily, except Saturday and Sunday
24.5	Manila	H.I.X.B.	12,240	Nightly
23.55	Schenectady	W.Z.X.O.	12,850	4 a.m. Wed. Fri. Sat.
18.89	Bandoeng	P.L.O.	16,102	Daily 6.30 p.m. to midnight
18.4	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	16,394	Daily 7 p.m.
17.4	Bandoeng	P.L.F.	17,230	Daily 6 p.m. to midnight
16.9	Bangkok (Holland)	H.S.I.P.J.	17,761	Sundays 7 p.m. & midnight
16.5	Bandoeng	P.C.K.	18,404	Each afternoon
15.74	Nancy (France)	P.L.E.	19,220	Daily 7.30—7 p.m.
15.6	Pittsburg	W.S.X.K.	19,351	Daily 8 a.m.
13.93			21,540	Not regular

[Allowance must be made for "summer-time" in most European countries, which is one hour ahead of true time.]

SOME USEFUL HINTS.

Usually the chief snag in the portable set is the H.T. consumption, so if you are purchasing such a receiver make sure what this figure is likely to be, or you may find battery renewals far more expensive than you expected.

Theoretically the best place for a volume control is as early in the set as possible, i.e. at the H.F. end. The directly-heated type of S.G. valve usually requires rather less grid bias than the indirectly-heated type.

When a grid-bias battery has to be included in an oscillatory circuit (such as biasing for an S.G. valve) it should be shunted by a large condenser of good quality.

One disadvantage of the leaky grid detector is that it causes damping and loss of selectivity in the circuit to which it is coupled.

STILL MORE LICENCES IN BRITAIN.

Latest licence figures issued by the B.B.C. show that the increase for February, 1931, is just double that for February, 1930. The number of licences actually taken out during February of this year was 35,000. No other country can boast of such a steady and remarkable progress in times of general depression. No doubt the reduction in the price of receiving equipment has something to do with the spreading of the listening habit. "During the past winter the movement has been towards a 10 per cent. reduction in the prices of reputable sets," recently stated Mr. D. Grant-Strachan, honorary secretary of the Radio Manufacturers' Association.

THE HIGHEST STATION?

Apparently there is a new record to be created—for the highest station! It is claimed that the highest broadcasting station in the world is the La Paz transmitter, which is situated at a height of over 10,000 feet above sea level. In Europe, the highest broadcast transmitter is found on the Pic du Midi, some 3,000 feet in height.

MARRIAGE WITHOUT MOTHERHOOD.

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Hastening its Decadence.

There appears to be only one benefit from the New York decision and that is that it tends to prevent the possible addition to the race of one variety of female shirker. But even at that, the victory for the right to avoid normal motherhood may prove a very Pyrrhic one for level-headed advocates of birth control. To drain marriage of all real meaning, concurrently saddling the husband with every economic disadvantage of marriage, plus liability for his wife's torts, is not to exalt it as an institution but to hasten its decadence.

Napoleon annulled his marriage with Josephine, poor pretty thing, because she could not bear him a child. I wonder what he would have said to Mrs. Alfred H. Kahn, who would not.

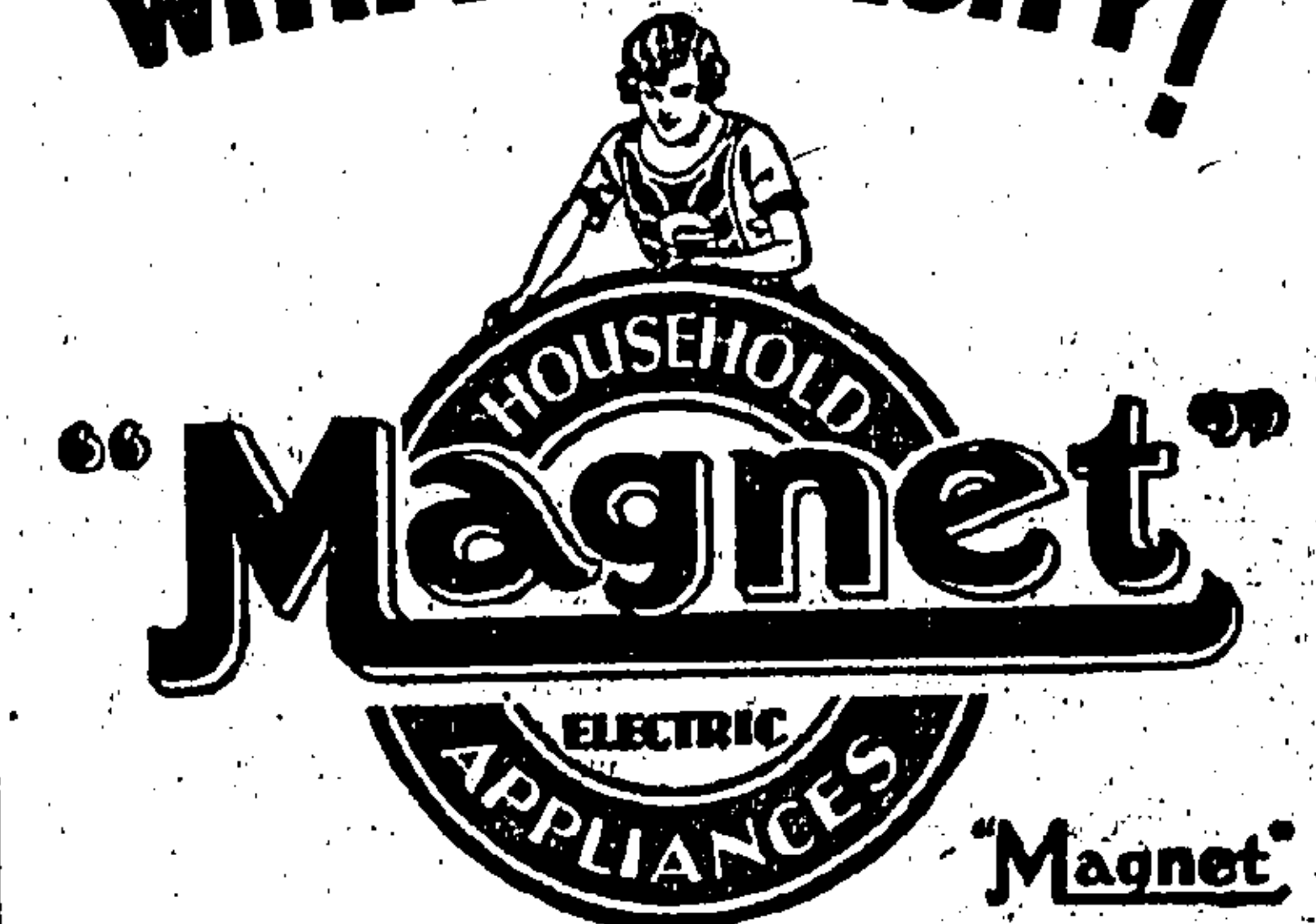
Royal marriages are considered subject failures if they are sterile. Whenever the fit and self-supporting mate, their children ought to be a boon and blessing to the race, and the woman who sullenly and deliberately elects to join the non-bearers ought in decency to be made to vacate the marital position, she does so little to justify and make way for the joyful mother of children.

Just as the unit should abstain from multiplication so the fit ought to people the earth, and the more civilised the race the deeper the obligation.

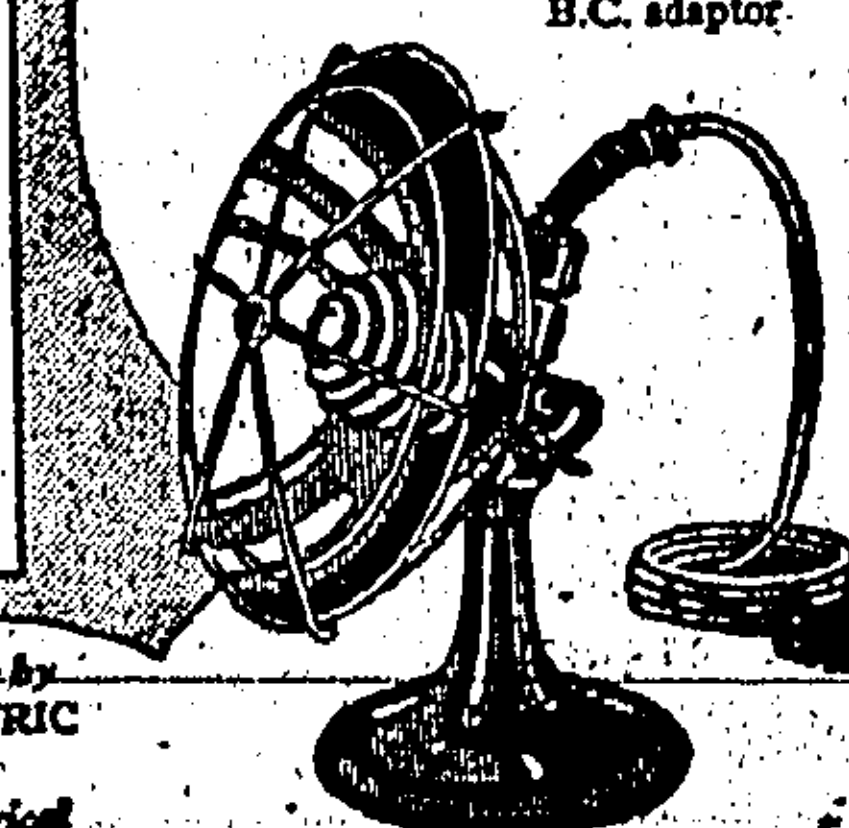
There is not much point in making the world safe for sterility.—Miss Helena Norman in the *Evening Standard*.

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sational air-war film which was pro-
duced and directed by Howard
Hughes at a cost of \$4,000,000 and
after three years of continuous
filming.

This widely-heralded production
was given a spectacular "dual"
premiere in New York at the
Criterion and Gaiety Theatres.
The critics unanimously and en-
thusiastically acclaimed it, while
millions flocked to both theatres
and set up new box-office records
for Broadway.

Howard Hughes, 25-year-old
multi-millionaire, began the filming
of "Hell's Angels" three years
ago, when he determined to create
the most lavish and realistic film
drama ever attempted. Critics
everywhere agree he has accomplished
his aims and to-day he is the
most spectacular and colourful in-
dividuality in the film industry.

Exactly 87 airplanes of true
wartime "vintage," assembled from
all parts of the world, were used
in the filming of "Hell's Angels,"
and in one scene alone 50 planes
are shown in action simultaneously
on the screen.

A "Zeppelin" sequence, which
technicians and laymen alike agree
is the most impressive sequence ever
screened, is another highlight of
Hughes' aerial extravaganza.

More than 100 pilots and upwards
of 20,000 players and technicians
took part in the making of "Hell's
Angels," which is admittedly the
first authentic and realistic repro-
duction of the world war in the
air.

Ben Lyon, James Hall, Jean
Harlow, Lucien Prival and John
Darrow head the cast.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

"RANGO."

A little boy of twelve who lives
in the deep Sumatra jungle and is
not afraid to stand his ground for
a rifle shot at a ferocious tiger, is
one of the amazing characters to
be seen in "Rango," the thrill film
of tropical adventure which is now
showing at the Central Theatre.
The lad's name is Bin, and he is
a member of the Achinese tribe of
Malay natives of Sumatra.

KING'S THEATRE.

"UNDER SUSPICION."

Pictureque scenes in the Can-
nadian Rockies are brought to the
screen in "Under Suspicion," the
Fox Movietone feature which open-
ed at the King's Theatre yesterday.
While the scenic effects have been
preserved in all their natural
beauty by the latest means in photo-
graphic reproduction, the sound
recording in this picture is as near
perfection as one could wish. Per-
formers of great talent, under the
direction of A. F. Erickson, take
part in this powerful outdoor song
romance, where the principal actor,
besides rendering to good effect a
number of songs, appears as the
leader of a tuneful male chorus of
Hollywood's best voices.

J. Harold Murray and Lois
Moran are the principal characters
in the story, charmingly enacted
with the open spaces of the North-
west as the background. The story
deals with the adventures of a
British aviator who sacrifices him-
self in order to save the family
honour and cover up a serious
blunder of his younger brother.
Taking an assumed name he dis-
appears, but he is later seen in the
Royal North-West Mounted Police,
where he falls in love with the
beautiful daughter of the com-
mandant. There is plenty of in-
terest in the drama from this stage
and at last the hero's true identity
is revealed. Miss Moran acts with
great charm, and excellent work is
done by the supporting cast which
includes J. M. Kerrigan, Marrie
Saxon and Lumsden Hare.

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New York, April 17.—Increased
mutterings against the continued
unemployment and distress here
are being heard.

Expressing the growing discon-
tent, Senator Lafollette, a fiery
extremist, takes the Government
severely to task for its failure to
do something calculated to relieve
the "great suffering of 6,000,000 un-
employed and 5,000,000 partly em-
ployed."

To continue the present policy of
indifference, he said, would be to
court national disaster, because mil-
lions of people would not continue
on the ragged edge of starvation.
He called for immediate mobiliza-
tion of the industrial, financial,
labour, and political leaders, and
the formation of plans to remedy a
situation which was growing des-
perate as the municipal, county,
State, and charitable relief funds
became exhausted.

Mr. Lafollette's views are sup-
ported by Senator James Couzens,
former general manager of the Ford
Motor Company, who declared that
patience throughout the country
was waning. If a stabilisation plan
is not soon devised by the business
leaders, Mr. Couzens said, Congress
would step in and provide a dose.

Wanted, a "Dictator."

The appointment of a "dictator"
to relieve this city's army of 750,000
unemployed is being urged upon the
Mayor, Mr. James Walker, by wel-
fare workers.

The private relief funds with
which temporary jobs were provided
during the winter are exhausted,
and this means that additional
thousands of people will be thrown
out of employment unless the city
takes drastic action. The situation
now, the Mayor was informed, is as
acute as at any time during the
winter.

Welfare workers pleaded with the
Mayor to appoint a "Tzar" with
full authority to award city con-
struction contracts. The sum of
\$20,000,000 already authorized for
work will otherwise be tied up
indefinitely.

WOMEN TO ACCEPT CHALLENGE.

MOTOR RACE AGAINST
FAMOUS MEN DRIVERS.

Brooklands, May 7.—For the first
time in the history of the event,
women drivers will start in the
British double twelve-hour motor
race which begins here to-morrow.
The race is regarded as one of the
classics of the British automobile
speed track, and three women have
accepted the challenge made recent-
ly by a prominent racing driver at
a meeting of the British Racing
Drivers' Club. They are Miss Vic-
toria Worsley, who was the first
British motor saleswoman and is
leading a team of Baby Austins;
the Hon. Mrs. G. A. Chetwynd, the
mother of a year-old infant, and
who is to drive a supercharged M.
G. Midget; and Mrs. E. M. Wis-
dom, who will be at the wheel of a
Frazer-Nash.

All three are well known on the
racing track, but none has previ-
ously attempted anything on such a big
scale as the 24 hours race, which
tests the endurance of some of the
finest racing men. Their skill and
endurance is to be pitted against
that of numerous speed kings, in-
cluding Earl Howe, Sir H. R. S.
Birkin, Dudley Fry and Dr. J. D.
Benfield. Only in a few interna-
tional automobile events are women
allowed to compete with men on
equal terms.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON
355 METRES.

11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1 p.m.—Local time, weather report,
etc.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, etc.
2 p.m.—Close down.
6 to 8 p.m.—European programme
of Victor records supplied by
Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

6 to 6.30 p.m.—

Orchestral and Band Selections.

"Gypsy Souvenir" (arr. Schaeffer-
Paepke).—Hungarian Rhapsody
Orchestra.—35929.

"Hungarian Flower" (arr. Schaeffer-
Paepke).—Hungarian Rhapsody
Orch.—35929.

"Dolores" (Waldteufel).—Crea-
ture's Band.—35751.

"Moraima"—Spanish Caprice"
(Espinosa).—Creature's Band.—
35751.

"Colonial Song" (Grainger-
Schmid).—Victor Symphony
Orch.—36025.

"Over the Hills and Far Away"
(Grainger-Schmid).—Victor
Symphony Orch.—36025.

"La Forza Del Destino" (Forest of
Destiny) (Verdi).—Creature and
his Band.—35510.

7 p.m.—Stock quotations.

9.30 to 7.05 p.m.—

Variety.

Song—"Go 'Long, Ladies."—
Irene Beasley, Guitar and
Piano Accompaniment.—21263.

Organ Solo—"Beloved."—Jesse
Crawford.—21461.

Song—"For My Baby."—Jack
Smith (Whispering Baritone).
—21510.

Band—"The Jolly Coppersmith."
—Arthur Pryor's Band.—20318.

Humorous Dialogue—"Cicero and
Caesar."—Jones and Jones.—
21508.

Male Chorus—"Lady, Play Your
Mandolin."—The Revellers.—
22022.

7.05 to 7.15 p.m.—

Violin Solos.

"Serenade" (Drigo).—Mische-
lman.—600.

"Legend of the Canyon" (Cad-
man).—Fritz Kreisler.—1023.

"Caprice Antique" (Erno Balogh).
—Fritz Kreisler.—1003.

7.15 to 8 p.m.—

Victor Herbert's Music.

"Pan Americana."—Victor Salon
Orchestra, directed by N. Shilkret.—9903.

Selections from "The Rose of
Algeria."—Victor Salon Group,
directed by N. Shilkret.

"Yesterday—Panchinello."—
Victor Salon Orchestra, direct-
ed by N. Shilkret.—9904.

Selections from "Eileen."—Victor
Salon Group, directed by N.
Shilkret.—9905.

Selections from "The Only Girl."
—Victor Salon Group, directed
by N. Shilkret.—9905.

Selections from "Babette."—Victor
Salon Group, directed by N.
Shilkret.—9905.

"Fleur-de-Lys—Under the Elm."—
Victor Salon Orch., directed by
N. Shilkret.—9906.

Selections from "Princess Pat."
—Victor Salon Group, directed
by N. Shilkret.

"Land of My Own Romance—
Serenade—Absinthe Frappe."—
Victor Salon Group.—9907.

Selections from "Materna."—
Victor Salon Orch., directed by
N. Shilkret.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather
report.

9.05 to 10.30 p.m.—Chinese studio
concert.

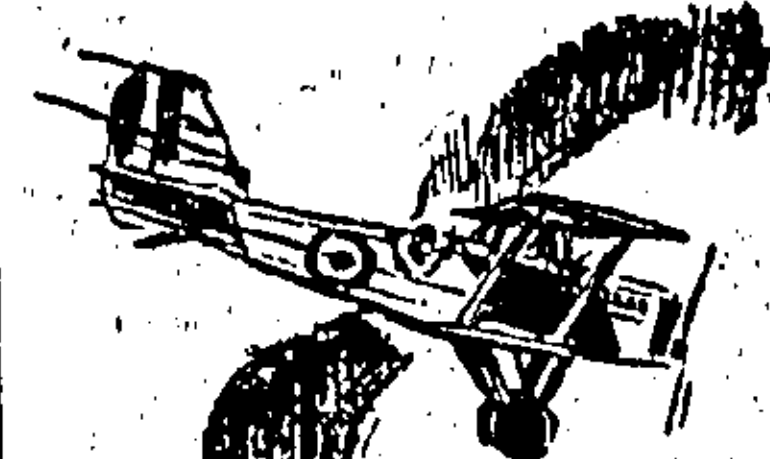
10.30 p.m.—Rugby mid-day Press
news.

10.35 p.m.—Close down.

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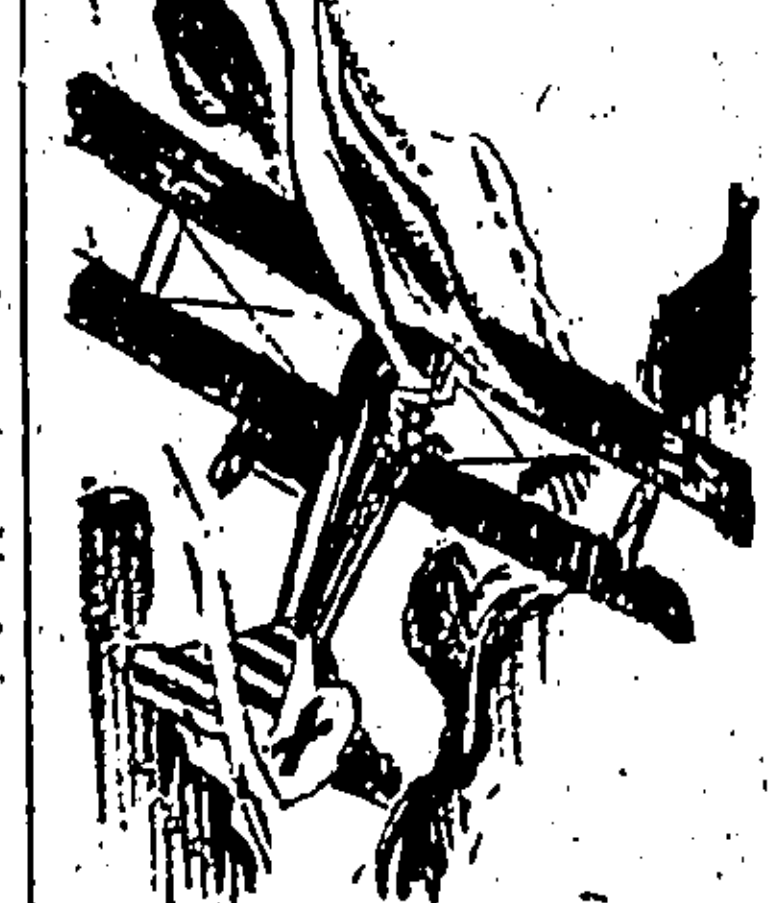
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NIGHT:
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PRINTING—Menus, Cards, Dance Programmes, Invitation Cards, Bridge Scores.—Write Box 657, c/o Hong Kong Daily Press. [657]

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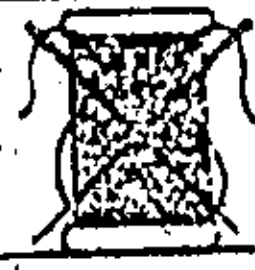
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YEAR'S EVENTS IN MALAYA.

COL. RAE'S ADDRESS.

NO COUNTRY SO SOLVENT AS
THE F.M.S.

The Hon. Col. Cecil Rae, the chairman, presided at the annual general meeting of the F.M.S. Chamber of Commerce, which was held in Ipoh this year.

After the usual formalities the chairman said: The past year has brought the commerce of the whole world face to face with the most stupendous financial crisis that it has ever had to deal with.

Malaya has had its share in this world catastrophe, and I think I may safely say that our merchants and financiers have at least held their own in a way that does them very considerable credit and in our small way we can hold up our heads with satisfaction, and rejoice that our store of common sense has been sufficient to prevent anything approaching a national panic.

And in these remarks I would like to include the responsible officers of the F.M.S. Government, who have throughout these very trying times kept a grip on the finance of the country that cannot fail to compel admiration from anyone who takes the trouble to acquaint himself with the facts of our national financial position.

F.M.S. Solvency.

One hears wild statements from irresponsible people as to our national financial standing, but to one who takes the trouble to ascertain the facts it must be clear that there is probably not a country in the world to-day that is as solvent as the Federated Malay States.

To take one of our assets, for instance, what country in the world possesses a State railway valued at something like \$500,000,000 absolutely free of debt and paid for out of revenue? And the position in regard to the railway is also true of our other public utilities. This, I think, you will agree is a wonderful position for a country to be in.

There is a lot to be said both for and against the policy of paying for these things out of revenue, but there is no doubt, in times such as we are passing through, the advocate of the system of "only building what you are able to pay cash for" is in a much more comfortable position than is the fellow who has followed the policy of borrowing for the purpose of building what are called "permanent and reproductive works" in times of stress, such as we are now in the midst of—the works steadily refuse to produce anything except a deficit, and the most permanent thing about them is the annually recurring bill for interest, which, alas, has only too often to be paid not by the work for which the debt was incurred but by the imposition of fresh taxation on an already overburdened community. If you want an illustration of this type of financial mismanagement, the lamentable financial chaos that exists at the moment in the Commonwealth of Australia—and towards which, I am afraid, the mother country herself is rapidly tending.

Freedom from Troubles.

And again let us consider what a fortunate position we are in with regard to unemployment and what are known as the social services of Government. Why, in one week Great Britain pays out, under this heading alone, more than our total revenue for a month.

Our freedom from troubles such as that of the dole in England is rendered possible by the fact that we have at our doors the great labour reserves of China and India. And we are in the happy position of having a reticulation system for labour which can, as demand rises or falls, be caused to flow in either direction.

I have mentioned these few items in order to draw your attention to the fact that this country of ours has lots of advantages over other parts of the world—of which advantages we are only too liable to lose sight when we are feeling rather overwhelmed by our immediate personal troubles.

Let us remember ourselves, and strive to imbue the world in general, with the idea that Malaya is a wonderful country, and we responsible business men of the country are striving all we know to make it still more wonderful.

It is perhaps somewhat presumptuous for a Chamber of Commerce, in this outpost of Empire, to try to suggest a reason for the present position of the financial world.

But all the same, looking on at this distance from the main centres of financial turmoil we may have a clearer view of the position than those in the thick of the fray.

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LAMBERTS AUCTIONS

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The Speculator.

One of the things to be remembered in regard to the financing of most raw materials is that instead of there being two factors, i.e. the buyer and the seller, there are really three, and to my mind the third factor is by far the most important, in making a stable market. The factor I refer to is the speculator.

The speculator acts in the financial world much in the same way what is known as a "flood reservoir" acts in the case of river engineering—the idea being that the flood waters, instead of being allowed to carry destruction over the lowlying portions of a river's course, are impounded and only released in such quantities that good rather than evil will ensue from their onward passage to the sea.

At the present time, however, this financial flood reservoir has ceased to function for the speculative factor has practically ceased to exist in the markets of the world. Why this sudden lack of the speculative spirit has taken place is hard to explain—except to say that it is one of those curious manifestations of mob psychology that has swept over the world, much in the same way that Spanish influenza did.

The Future.

There is a fear that has taken hold of thinking men and yet, in most cases if you asked them what they are afraid of they probably would not be able to put it into words. Subconsciously it is probably a fear of what the future holds in store—not only the financial future, but even more urgently the social future of the world.

Is the direction of the world to continue under the guidance of sane government administration by those whose brain capacity entitles them to direct affairs? Or is this civilisation of ours making its last frantic stand against the man with the partly developed brain whose only idea is destruction?

These ideas may seem rather far-fetched in this orderly and well-balanced country of ours, but believe me, they are very real to the "intellectual" living in middle Europe and they are not absent from the minds of some of our American citizens who are capable of seeing things as they are in that land of alleged freedom.

I do not suggest that what I have just said is what the average operator in speculative markets would tell you is his reason for hanging on to what cash and gilt-edged securities he possesses. But all the same, that fear I have tried to put into words, and, until we get rid of this feeling of unrest or until such time as the thinking world becomes so used to the bogey that overhangs it that they forget about it, just so long will the present financial instability continue.

Col. Rae concluded by moving the adoption of the report and accounts for the year. Mr. Lind (Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank) seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting then ended.

"RACKETEERING" AT WASHINGTON.**£20,000,000 "RING."**

Washington.—The national capital is not immune from "racketeering," according to published stories. The Department of Justice is reported as investigating the operations of what is described as a "£20,000,000 ring of dinner-jacketed racketeers who had their headquarters in the shadow of the White House."

The members of the ring are said to be captured by a well-known wealthy hotel owner, and to enjoy close association with some of the nation's "most influential men," whose alleged acceptance of bribes is to be carefully investigated. It is pointed out that a very highly placed United States official occupies a suite of eleven rooms in one of Washington's leading hotels at a cost of only a guinea a day—a suite for which a well-known millionaire paid thirty guineas a day. Cabinet officials, Senators, Representatives, and bureau officials live in the same hotel, and most of them enjoy "bargain rates."

Senator's Suicide.

It is asserted that U.S. Senator Brandegee, of Connecticut, committed suicide after losing his fortune in speculations conducted by the ring. Other operations resulted in the suicide of Augustus Leverich, a wealthy New York building contractor, and in the mysterious death of Allen Walker, original owner of the hotel in Washington, after he had threatened an exposure. The information now in the hands of the Department of Justice, it is said, reveals that the racketeers specialized in the sale of bond issues on real estate promotions which usually failed, and which were later acquired by their sponsors for a song. A total of £17,000,000 of these bonds are now in default of their interest, and more than 50,000 investors have either lost their savings or seen them dwindle to a fraction.

Huge hotels in Florida, New York, and Washington are named as coming into the racketeers' clutches after their original owners had been ruined by the ring's deadly methods of financing. After each fabulous coup the racketeers foregathered with their political friends in one of Washington's finest hotels and celebrated their success.

THE SCHNEIDER TROPHY.**NO "FUSSY" REGIME IN TRAINING.**

Some members of the High-Speed Flight, from which the Schneider Trophy team will be formed, are at Felixstowe. Some were there last year, and then flew seaplanes which were designed for the 1929 contest.

The 1929 machines are not now at Felixstowe; they are being reconditioned. The machines available for practice are earlier types and standard Service craft. Probably not before the middle of August will there be any flying on the seaplanes which will actually take part in the contest, to take place on September 12. Care has to be exercised in order that the very highly developed engines may not deteriorate before the contest.

No Deprivations.

Training for the contest can hardly be said to have begun, and it is never intensive in the sense of training for some athletic events. The team have not to undergo severe deprivations. Alcohol is "knocked off," and smoking is almost entirely given up. To none of the team is there any sacrifice in these respects.

Preparation takes the more positive form of keeping fit by exercise and games and by ordinary dietary care.

In fact, the flying of machines at speeds of about six miles a minute, contrary to ideas at one time held, does not demand almost superhuman qualities. Experience, informed by medical research, has robbed turning at high speed of its terrors.

Turning at Speed.

The "black moment" due to the surging of the blood, a momentary loss of consciousness, can be avoided, as can the worst effects of too rapid accelerations and decelerations. The loss of time on a turn, it has been found, is least when the turning movement causes the pilot practically no distraction; he should just feel the acceleration, that is all.

If he feels distressed, it is not a good turn. The best turn is one fairly steeply banked, the pilot skillfully holding the machine down, and preventing its tendency to shoot up towards the outside of the turn.

Training for the contest consists to a very great extent of managing the take-off and the landing, of piloting, of standing highly technical details, and of an incessant watchfulness.

BOYS' DRESS REFORM.**SHORTS ALLOWED AT MILL HILL.****COLLARS AND TIES OPTIONAL**

Boys at Mill Hill School are during the summer term to lead a public schools dress reform campaign.

Mr. M. L. Jacks, the headmaster, has given the boys the choice of wearing their ordinary clothes or grey flannel shorts or trousers with open-necked cricket shirts.

There is every indication that the shorts' vogue will conquer the school.

Already the senior monitor and a number of the older boys have declared their intention of adopting shorts and the juniors are expected to follow suit.

Good for Health.

A master said to a reporter: "It is an experiment; but if it proves popular it is probable that shorts will be made compulsory in the autumn term."

"From a hygienic point of view the abolition of tight collars and ties in favour of open-necked shirts should be extremely beneficial to the boys, while parents will find it a marked economy."

Should the experiment be successful at Mill Hill, it is certain to be adopted by other well-known public schools.

Letters received recently by the Public Schools Parents' Association show that hundreds of parents throughout the country are in favour of dress reform on the lines now being adopted by Mill Hill.

Mr. M. L. Jacks, the Headmaster of Mill Hill School, is 37 years of age. When appointed to Mill Hill he was only 28, and was the youngest "head" in the country.

FIRE IN A SEWAGE TUNNEL.**18 WORKERS KILLED.**

Chicago, April 14.—A fire broke out in a half-completed sewage tunnel here last night. Nine men have been brought out dead, and nine others are believed to have perished in the tunnel. Forty-eight have been taken to hospital. It was at one time feared that the number of dead, particularly among the firemen who were trying to effect rescues, would be very much greater.

The tunnel is fifty feet below the surface. The fire broke out in some sawdust packed against the bulkhead of the tunnel and spread to the supporting woodwork. The firemen who went to the rescue took with them oxygen tanks for the relief of those overcome by smoke.

A dramatic and unexpected rescue of the dozens of men was effected to-day. Many of the workers and firemen involved in the disaster, which is the worst of its kind the city has ever known, were choked to death by the dense smoke.

It was this aspect of the tragedy which caught the attention of Mr. Peter, the Pirsh, inventor of a smoke ejector. He had nearly completed the first model of his invention, and when he heard of the tragedy he pushed on the work at full speed. By 3 a.m. to-day he had finished the task. At once he rushed to the scene of the disaster, set his machine working, and soon the anxious onlookers were relieved to see billows of dense white smoke pouring from the tunnel as the ejector pumps came into action. At the same time fresh cool air was driven down tubes into the tunnel from above.

The firemen, who had already gallant rescue work, stood at the shaft-head tensely awaiting the appearance of the lift. Then suddenly the lift bell rang, and the cage, filled with workmen with smoke-blackened faces, rose to the surface. Twice again the lift dropped and brought up yet more of the survivors.

BANDIT WHO KILLS FOR PLEASURE.**BUT LASHES GIRLS WHO WEAR SHORT SKIRTS.****TROOPS AND PLANES HUNT WORLD'S WORST MAN.**

Rio de Janeiro.—"Lampeno," described as the worst man in the world, and the possessor of a record of atrocities extending over fifteen years, is the object of one of the most determined national man-hunts in history. The Brazilian Government has despatched against him an expedition of 200 men, with aeroplanes, machine guns, and wireless, and with orders to bring him back, dead or alive.

"Lampeno's" real name is Virgolino Ferreira da Silva, "Lampeno" is merely his nickname and means "The Lamp-post."

According to the records, he started his career of crime when he was 14 by killing a companion and gutting him open to see what was inside. He is accused of every crime in the penal code. Some of the more picturesque are:

The murder of nine workmen on a road in Pernambuco State merely to satisfy his lust for blood.

The murder of seven soldiers after they had surrendered without resistance.

The burning alive of a woman in Pernambuco because she tried to poison him.

Slashing the lips of his victims in such a way that they wear a perpetual grin.

Branding his initials on a number of young girls.

Killing a doctor because he disliked his features.

A Man of Religion.

On the other hand, Lampeno is extremely religious, and attends Mass every day at noon. Even in battles with police he will abandon his gun to pray for protection. He abhors bobbed hair and short skirts, and whenever he encounters women or girls whose locks have been shorn or whose skirts are above the knees he makes a point of punishing them with a lash.

The bandit presents a gaudy and terrifying spectacle. He is very tall and wears heavy coloured spectacles to conceal the loss of his right eye. He is clean-shaven and uses perfume heavily. He is wounded in the left leg, and his extraordinarily long hands are covered with heavy rings studded with jewels. His shirts and coats are gaudily coloured and decorated with gold and silver buttons. He is 31 years old.—*British United Press.*

BISHOP FACES ACCUSERS.**ENQUIRY INTO ELECTION FUND SCANDAL.**

Washington, May 7.—On crutches Bishop James Cannon, Jr., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to-day appeared before the Senate Committee empowered to investigate election irregularities. The committee is headed by Senator Gerald P. Nye, insurgent Republican of North Dakota.

The Committee has reopened hearings to determine how much money and in what manner Bishop Cannon spent funds in 1928 in an effort, which proved to be successful, to defeat former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, Democratic presidential nominee.

Although it was necessary for him to appear on crutches Bishop Cannon, a Virginian, attended the session of Senator Nye's committee to-day. He attended despite the warning that he may be prosecuted because his secretary, Miss Ada Burroughs, refused to testify before Senator Nye's committee on the grounds that the investigators are without jurisdiction.

Several times before and during the past few years Bishop Cannon's political activities have been investigated. Efforts have been made to unmask him. His actions have been probed by the Senate and by the Church and the probes have revealed the ramifications of his stock market activities. Only last week Bishop Cannon failed in the election to the presidency of the College of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, because of the charges against him. It was his turn to head the College of Bishops but normal procedure was disregarded in the face of petitions against ecclesiastical honours for Bishop Cannon.

HIS ASHES ON BATTLEFIELD.**A WIDOW'S MISSION TO HIGH WOOD.**

After 15 years Mr. Percy Arnold, of the 14th Warwickshire Regiment, has returned to the men with whom he fought in the battle for High Wood in the Somme fighting of 1918.

His widow, in a simple and pathetic ceremony, scattered her husband's ashes on the battlefield, thus fulfilling a promise made on her wedding day ten years ago.

It was in some of the fiercest fighting on the Somme that Mr. Arnold stopped to aid a fallen comrade. As he did so a bullet pierced his lung. He remained on the battlefield for a few hours and was then taken prisoner by the

Germans. After some time in hospital he was sent to Switzerland and incapacitated for further fighting.

Wedding-Day Promise.

When he married after the war, he made his wife promise that, should he die before her, she would take his ashes to High Wood and scatter them on the ground where so many of his comrades fell. The promise was fulfilled.

On Mrs. Arnold's arrival she was met by Captain Cockrell, a British Reserve officer, and a number of war veterans and conducted to High Wood.

In dead silence she scattered the ashes of her husband over the ground, while those who accompanied her stood bareheaded near by.

Mr. Arnold died last January from lung trouble due to his war wounds. His widow was unable, because of illness, to make the journey immediately. She herself was a war nurse and was decorated for her services.

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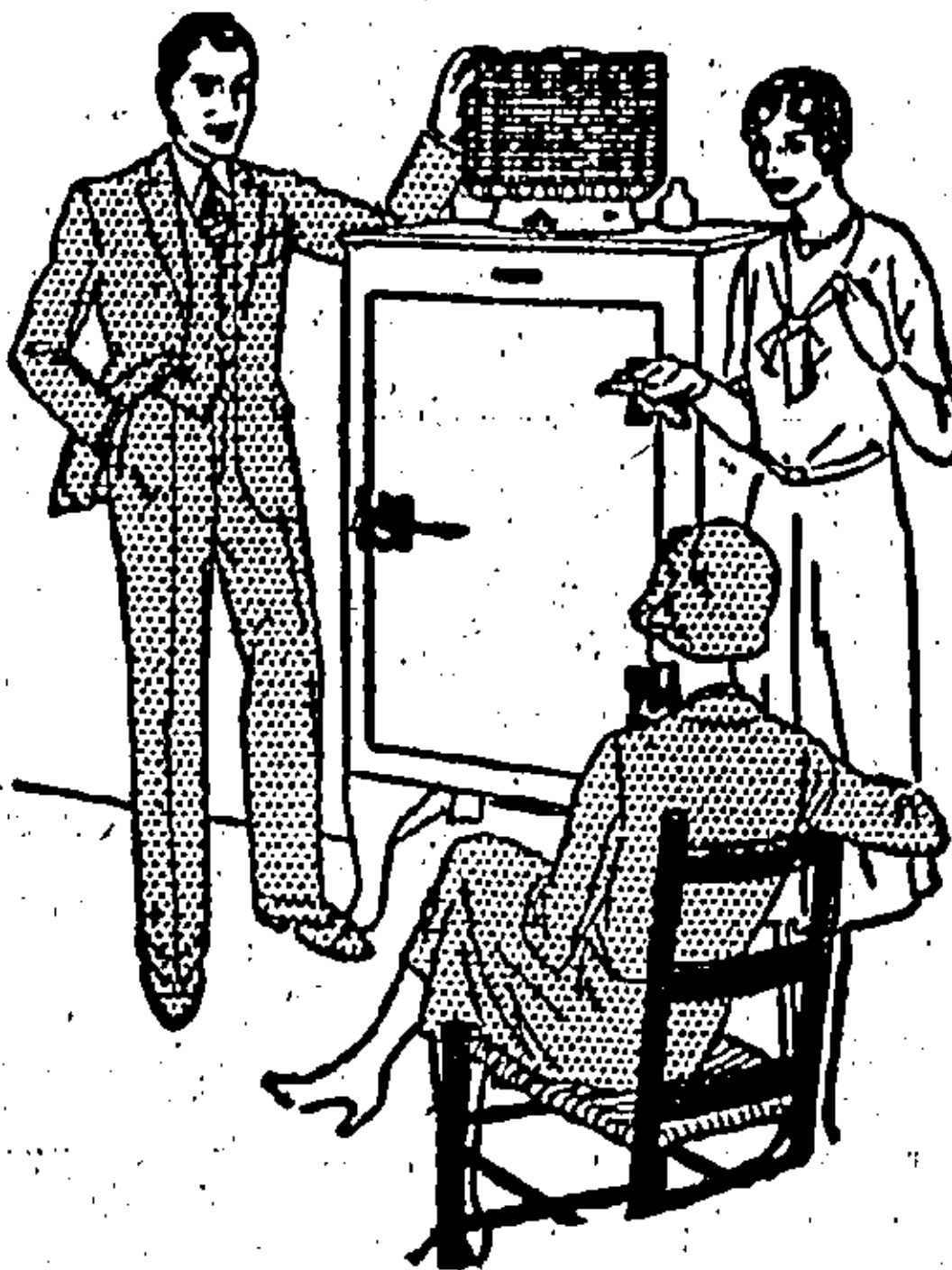
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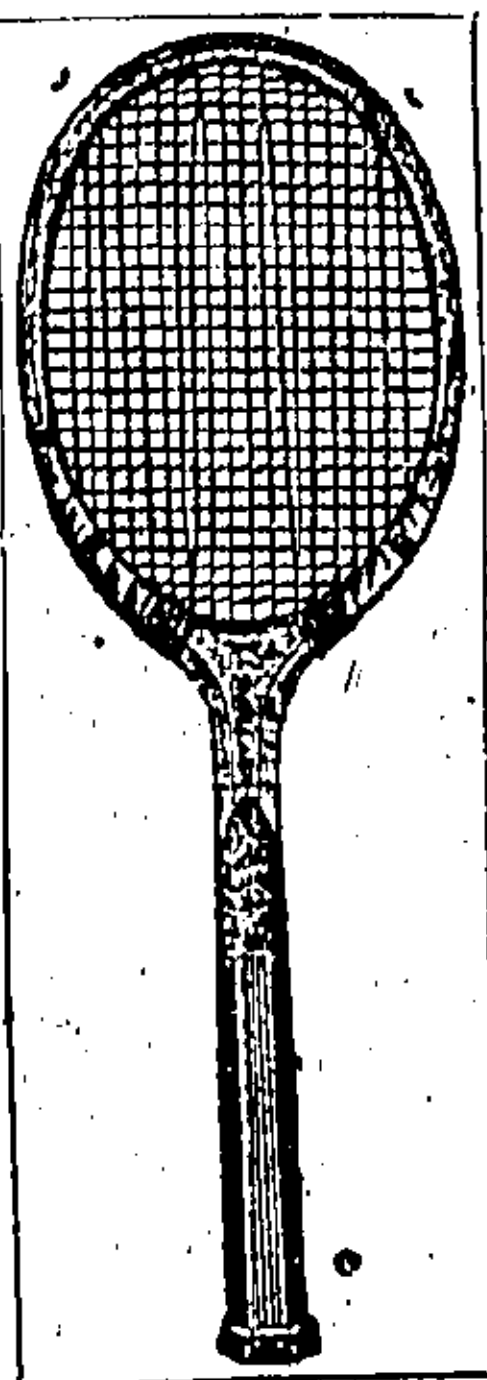
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THE UNEMPLOYMENT DEBATE.

LIBERALS RALLY TO HELP SOCIALISTS.

BROKEN PLEDGES OF GOVERNMENT.

The division in the Commons on April 10 on the Conservative vote of censure resulted in a majority of 54 for the Government, the figures being:—

For the motion 251
 Against 305

The division figures revealed the fact that more Liberals voted to save the Government than was expected. It is estimated that from 33 to 35 of them came to the rescue of the Socialists.

On the other hand ten Liberal M.P.s joined forces with the Conservatives and supported the censure motion. They were:— Sir John Simon, Mr. Kedward, Col. England, Mr. Pybus, Mr. G. Lambert, Sir R. Hutchison, Sir M. Macdonald, Mr. E. Evans, Sir R. Aske, Mr. E. Brown.

Five Liberal M.P.s who were present in the House abstained from voting, namely, Mr. Rothschild, Mr. Shakespeare, Mr. Blin-dell, Mr. Hore-Belisha, and Mr. Ian Macpherson.

Mr. Baldwin's Salles.

Mr. Baldwin brought in his vote of censure on the Government for its failure on unemployment. The motion did not censure the Government for its failure to cure unemployment, but for its failure to keep its election promises in regard to it.

It may be that no Government can cure unemployment; but no one need promise to cure it.

The motion further reproached the Government with having ceased even to attempt to carry out its promises.

Regarded as a contribution to the problem of unemployment, the debate that followed must be written down as frivolous almost to jocularity. The House showed itself exceedingly ready to laugh on the slightest provocation; its mood, indeed, was almost jolly.

This does not mean that the House was callously indifferent to gravity of the problem, but that it recognised unemployment as being only a peg on which diverse party manifestoes are hung. That the position of parties, not unemployment, was the real object of the debate came out very clearly in Mr. Lloyd George's speech, which, in its operative part, was an amusing essay on the tactics of a third party, with particular illustrations drawn from the Liberal-Unionist party in the 1888 Parliament.

Socialist or Radical?

Mr. Baldwin is speaking much more rapidly than formerly, and has taken to a certain liveliness in political satire, which, perhaps, does not come very naturally to him. But he had an admirable theme in the Government's election promises about unemployment, and his sallies put his party on very good terms with itself.

He was less successful in the later part of his speech, which, following the terms of the motion, should have demonstrated that the Government had ceased to attempt remedial measures.

In fact, the Government seems to have come round to his own view that, apart from Protection, there is not much that can be done. And that was, no doubt, the explanation of the curious turn which Mr. Baldwin's speech took at the end.

His chief complaint against the Government was that neither he nor it knows whether it is Socialist or merely Radical. Had he in his mind the rumours that a Protectionist heaven was working within the Cabinet? Did he mean that a Socialist Government might logically be Protectionist, and was he trying to saddle the alliance with the Liberals with the blame for the sterility of the Government's unemployment policy?

Perhaps. But he went on to say that these tactics were a matter of indifference to him. Whether the

Government was Radical or Socialist in its inspiration, his party would fight it in either case. Mr. Baldwin's speech was well received by his party.

Mr. Tom Johnston.

Particular interest attached to the first appearance of Mr. Tom Johnston as Lord Privy Seal, for he has the reputation of being, with Mr. Morrison, one of the rising men in the Labour party. He is an Imperialist, and a Protectionist of sorts.

If Mr. Johnston's speech was neither very original nor very lively, that was probably "not his fault." There is a stock Labour speech on unemployment which we have already had from Mr. Thomas, Mr. Morrison, and the late Mr. Vernon Hartshorn. Mr. Johnston hotted it up again.

The assumption throughout the speech was that if the Government spent enough millions on objects that employed someone it was doing splendidly; and the millions that he totted up were staggering. They made 113 millions, plus a lag of sixty millions ("lag" in this case meaning that the money is voted faster than the Government can spend it), employing a quarter of a million men, which works out at about £700 spent for every man employed.

Among new Government contacts with unemployment indicated by Mr. Johnston were:

The planting of Yorkshire moors and Welsh hills with Sitka spruce; The electrification of our railway system;

The popularising of Great Britain as a place for tourists.

Rationalisation.

The more genuine Mr. Johnston appeared in a passage in which he satirised Jevons's old Manchester theory that unemployment was due to sunspots, and another in which he supported rationalisation. "As a Socialist," he said, "I don't wish to inherit derelict factories or obsolete machinery"—in which the live mind shone through the statistics with which his brief bristled.

After Mr. Johnston had sat down, Liberals trooped out to decide how they should vote, and after a short absence everyone knew that though some meant to vote for the motion of censure and others to abstain, enough would vote for the Government to save it from defeat and that there would be no crisis.

Mr. Lloyd George was in amiable and reminiscent mood. He patted Mr. Tom Johnston approvingly on the back, and said that he was a promising young man, and hoped that his Prime Minister would appreciate him at his true worth.

He then drew an elaborate and very clever parallel between his own and the Liberal position now and that of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain and the Liberal Unionists in the Parliament of 1888. The Liberal Unionists usually voted in three equal parts of abstention, Aye and No; but they kept a minority Government in power for six years—a thought that made some members wince and shiver. He wished he had a title of Mr. Chamberlain's ability in his task of delicate balancing between the danger of keeping the Government in power and the danger of the alternative.

"You're pretty good," interjected a Conservative voice, and Mr. Lloyd George looked pleased. This of the speech should be noted by future biographers Mr. Lloyd George, who always likes to think of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain as his political affinity.

The Premier.

Mr. MacDonald said nothing at some length. In his speech Mr. Baldwin had invited him to explain what Mr. Snowden meant when he made his warning about our perilous financial state, and whether it was a mere voice and nothing more, or would result in some sort of action. But that was too acute a topic for Mr. MacDonald.

He did, however, promise to stand behind Mr. Johnston, both on his merits and also to oblige Mr. Lloyd George. Indeed, Labour anxiety to play up to the Liberals was noticeable all through the debate.

With the result a foregone conclusion, much of the interest had now gone out of the debate. Mr. Crookshank was a light but effective speaker in the early stages of the debate, and Sir Robert Horne fired some heavy shot after dinner.

WHY DEMOCRACY IS DYING.

DEAN INGE'S LESSON FROM RUSSIA.

"We see to-day a vast and ever increasing army of parasites paid by the State not to work," declared Dean Inge before a crowded body of Individualists at their monthly luncheon in the Hotel Victoria.

Extremely gloomy was the Dean's description of the present state of affairs in this country. "We are witnessing," he said, "an organised plunder of minorities, which is producing disastrous results."

"Our financial resources are so completely gone that we could not go to war even if we were slapped in the face. Our naval supremacy has vanished. Our Empire is falling to pieces. There is no confidence, no enterprise."

"Equally serious pictures of whether we are tending as a result of reckless State expenditure were drawn by subsequent speakers."

"Unless the cancer on the body politic of the dole is dealt with in the same drastic fashion as surgery deals with malignant growth, this country must just as inevitably die as the patient must," said Sir Ernest Graham-Little, M.P.

Cadgers in Crowds.

"We are," stated Mr. Harold Cox, "seeing a large mass of the population ceasing to be individuals, and degenerating into cadgers, ever holding out their hands for more. Yet the theory that the State has a bottomless purse is too absurd to mention."

Then a rousing call for economy in national affairs was made by the chairman, Sir Hugh Bell, who, at the age of 87, continues to furnish a striking illustration of the triumph of individualism.

The subject of Dean Inge's address was "Russia—a menace and an object-lesson." Events in Russia during the past few years furnished, he said, one of the most striking evidences of the almost world-wide failure of democracy.

His reading of history, taught him that democracy was an instrument for destroying privilege, and that task had certainly been achieved. Some nations, despairing of democracy, had boldly scrapped the institutions that had produced the present political social, and economic conditions, and had gone back to the system of government by a few, or by even only one person.

The world had never seen a more anti-democratic system than that which prevailed in Russia to-day. It was a case of a new Tsardom worse than the old Tsardom, for there could be no doubt at all about the misery of the people in general, or about the cruelty and the tyranny.

"Modern Russia is an enormous slave State, in which the lives, the liberties, the property, and the honour of every man and woman are absolutely at the disposal of the bureaucracy," said Dean Inge. "In my view, it is not Communism that is the essential part of the present Russian régime; rather it is a system of State capitalism run with an efficiency which, but for its cruelty, might evoke our approval."

KAI TAK AERODROME.

VOTE IN COUNCIL TO-DAY.

At the Legislative Council Meeting to-day the Hon. Colonial Secretary is to move the following resolution:—

"That this Council approves of the expenditure in the year 1929 from the surplus balances of the Colony of the sum of \$602,783, in respect of the construction of the Kai Tak Aerodrome, such sum being recoverable from the first instalment of the contribution made by the Imperial Government."

A Bill to amend the law relating to the Registration of Births and Deaths is to be read a first time, while the following Bills will come up for second reading:—A Bill to amend the law relating to Bankruptcy, a Bill to amend further the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1890, a Bill to amend the Vaccination Ordinance, 1923, and a Bill to amend the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871.

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HIGH LIFE IN
FOOCHOW."KIDS' PARTY" AND
AMATEUR FIRE FIGHTERS.MORE TROUBLE WITH
SERVANTS' UNION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Foochow, May 2.

It is still raining! Old timers tell us this year is the wettest for the last ten years. We all agree but are inclined to put the number even higher. The water has been coming down river at the rate of 6 to 7 knots, and we hear it has weakened the new span of the bridge between the island and the small island of Chung Chow. For some reason the work was stopped but whether through this or lack of funds we do not know.

At high tide the Bund has been several inches under water, and the only people who appreciate all this are the Chinese farmers who find it easy to flood their fields for the rice planting. Already the surrounding fields are green with the new crop.

The Foreign Servants' Union has been endeavouring to make trouble by intimidating the Club servants to ask for a 20 per cent. increase in their wages or to strike. A meeting of the Club members was called and it was unanimously decided that the Club funds would not run to it, and the servants were told so. In the meantime, we understand, Consular action has been taken and the Union formed by the Police to keep quiet with the result that the servants did not strike. All is peaceful again, to the regret of some of the members, who were making wonderful plans for running the Bar.

Union Controlled by Students.

The Foreign Servants' Union was originally run by the servants but is now controlled by young students. It is the only union here, the others having been dissolved some time ago. Servants employed by foreigners are paid higher wages than those employed elsewhere, and the Union find their monthly subscriptions a good source of income. The servants are forced to pay the subscription, and if they do not do so, the Union hire outside men, who enter premises when the householder is absent and with the aid of guns make the servants pay up. The funds are very seldom used to help out-of-work servants, though occasionally "chow-moneys" is given, but mainly the money provides feasts for the officials. Up to now the Government has been incapable of suppressing this Union, and foreigners and servants alike will be glad when it is dissolved.

The present Government has resigned but in all probability will re-elect themselves. The Governor, Admiral Yang Shu Chuang, left previously for Nanking, where he hopes to get money to carry on Government works. At present funds are non-existent.

A "Kids' Party."

We have said good-bye to our old friends and have welcomed their successors. Our old friend the French Consul has returned for a year or so, at his own request, and we are glad to see him once more. H.M.S. Petersfield was up in Foochow at the end of last month with Lady Kelly and other visitors on board. A dinner and dance was given in their honour at the Consulate. Another social function was the closing dance at the Club, when a "Kids' Party" was held. Most of us turned up in appropriate costume and acted our part. Races were run in between dances and prizes given. It was by far the most successful of the Club dances and continued till the early hours of the morning. Among those present were visitors from the U.S.S. "Simpson," which was in on a five days' visit at Pagoda Anchorage. We all entered into the spirit of the evening, even moustaches were shaved off.

(Continued on next Column.)

SWATOW BANDITS.

TWO YOUTHS KIDNAPPED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Swatow, May 12, 1931.

In the early hours of Monday morning a band of kidnapers raided the house of Mr. Tang Seng Li in Kakehioh, Swatow, and took captive a well-to-do student of the American Baptist College by name Lim Hang Lak, 10 years of age, and a boy about 11 years old, said to be the son of the doctor of either the steamer *Hilma* or *Hirundo*, by name Chang.

Various estimates from half-a-dozen to thirty or more, the robbers took with them, besides the captives, about \$1,000 worth of property, decamping in sampans unmolested by the Kakehioh police towards Kwananoh about 60 li from Swatow on the Kityang River.

The party may possibly have thought that Mr. Tang Seng Li (who is the Swatow manager of the Bank of China) was in residence, but this gentleman has not lived in this house for some time now, and it was his tenants who were the victims of this raid.

If the robbers were armed they did not use their weapons, and there were no casualties, but the Kakehioh police lost one rifle and had two of their number under restraint while the kidnapping proceeded. An inquiry is being held as to why effective measures against the raiders were not undertaken on the first alarm, and *Echo* will answer "Why?"

Few people at first recognized a prominent member of the community, when he appeared in an ordinary petal frock and large straw hat and minced up the room. In another case, a whisky bottle took the place of a baby's bottle but in no way spoilt the effect of a long baby's dress and bonnet, and chubby cheeks!

Foreigners to the Rescue.

Some of us have been getting exercise by playing 5-a-side hockey on the lawn of the Ewo hong house. Few rules are observed and the game is fast and furious and good fun. An amusing incident occurred the other evening. Over a cocktail, some members of the party were saying good-bye to an old friend, when a fire was seen on the new Amoy Road. Three or four of the party decided that was the time to prove the efficiency of and to advertise a certain patent fire extinguisher. With the aid of a motor car they started off for the fire. On the Amoy Road the crash was so great it was difficult to make progress, so they persuaded a fire official and policeman to stand on the side of the car and clear a way by yelling.

They arrived on the scene of the fire, and, armed with the extinguisher, leapt out of the car. Amid the cheers of the crowd, who thought them quite mad, and to the great surprise of the local "fire-fighters" and officials, they directed the jet on a piece of burning house. The blaze died down and with proud gestures they pointed out the marvels of such an instrument. All were suitably impressed and the trio proudly returned to the car and were in all honour bowed on their way. Highly elated they talked of it all the way back till suddenly there was a loud yell from one of them that he was on fire. The car was stopped and it was discovered he was sitting on a live cigarette-end, which had been thrown into the car by one of the crowd. Their elation came to an abrupt end. Incidents like this, impossible in a large town, help to make life in an outpost livable.

A short time ago a Catholic Bishop and two priests were captured by bandits on their way from Hinghwa to Amoy. It is believed that they and their captors are now hemmed in by soldiers, or marines, and no doubt as the pressure of the ransom is felt the amount of the ransom demanded will dwindle. These bandits are not Communists and no anxiety is felt for the lives of the prisoners.

No Beef.

We are still unable to obtain beef. No bullocks are slaughtered and it is said that the Monks limited to the authorities that the cause of all the trouble in this Province was caused by the amount of cattle slaughtered. In order to get into favour again with the "gods" it would be necessary to close all slaughter houses for a year. This may be true but we are more inclined to believe the real reason is "the very heavy tax" lately imposed on each bullock killed. But whichever reason it is, we are getting very tired of eating only mutton.

A GREAT CHINESE
ACTOR.MEI LAN FANG AT KO SHING
THEATRE.

A MARVEL OF ARTISTRY.

During the past week Mei Lan Fang, the noted Chinese actor, has been entertaining large audiences at the Ko Shing Theatre, where he and his troupe of talented artists have presented plays from their repertoire. We understand that never before in the history of the Chinese theatre in Hong Kong has such enthusiasm been shown by the Chinese public for any actor. This is evidence that, as an artist and interpreter of Chinese classical drama, Mei Lan Fang is in a class by himself. Notwithstanding the fact that the producing of modern Chinese and foreign drama has found a footing in China, Dr. Mei still adheres to the plays founded on legends and romantic episodes in the history of his country. It is with the idea of perpetuating this history that the actor uses this expressive medium for his art.

It is noticeable, however, that he has allowed himself a certain licence with regard to the presenting of these plays, and it is rumoured in this connection that he advocates, to a point, the westernising of the theatre in China.

His performances here recently have been marked in this respect, for, throughout all his plays very beautiful settings have been used, the orchestra has been "off stage" and completely hidden, and during the time he appears on the stage only members of the cast are to be seen. He has also introduced some very effective coloured lighting, a thing unheard of in the Chinese drama in the ordinary way.

A Supreme Artist.

That Mei Lan Fang is a great artist cannot be disputed. The fact that he only plays feminine roles is well-known, and in these he is definitely supreme. In each individual part he shows a grace and charm of manner essentially feminine and really beautiful to watch. His entrances and exits are marvels of artistry, and it does not seem possible that such elegance and poetic movement could be attained by any female impersonator. His hands, too, are extremely expressive with their long tapering fingers, and he uses them to the utmost, thereby adding to his performance.

One of his most popular parts, a part which he recently played here, is that of Hsi Shih, the village maiden, who, in order to save her country from defeat in battle, surrenders herself to an enemy king and eventually becomes his bride. The king, fascinated by her beauty, neglects affairs of state, and through this means his ultimate abdication is arranged. Hsi Shih, although she has lost respect, considers that she has served a worthy cause. In this play Mei Lan Fang, as Hsi Shih, is disguised wearing a brook, and it is rather startling to the audience to realize that although he is attired in costly robes, incongruous in a village maiden, nevertheless the actor looks and is the part. This clever effect is gained by the simplicity of the acting, simple expression of the face, graceful movement, and the fact that, although the clothes are nice, the combination of their colours, soft pastel shades, give to the actor a totally unaffected appearance that could not be as realistic were he to appear in ordinary peasant dress.

In all his characterisations he is definitely the person he is out to portray, and through this, one is given the opportunity of a better understanding of Chinese classical drama. His acting conveys to the audience the rare beauty that is to be found in an art that has for centuries been an essential in the lives of the Chinese people.

HONG KONG STOCK
MARKET.CROUCHER & CO.'S DAILY
REPORT.

Hotels were again the centre of attention on the local Bialto. After opening at \$10.80 cash with sales at \$10.00 for the settlement, consistent cash buying lifted the price to \$17.25 June, and \$17.35 July. The market closed firm after a certain amount of profit taking.

Insurance shares obtained renewed investment attention, Unions being in demand at \$940 cum the dividend of \$2, and Cantons are wanted at \$1,435 cum the dividend of \$60.00.

Underwriters were again absorbed in fairly large quantities at rates ranging from \$5.50 to \$5.65.

Hong Kong Fires have buyers at \$1,320 with no sellers.

China Providents were firmer at \$5.85 with business done at \$6 for June.

A sudden inquiry for Realities found the market bare of stock and a dollar rise was registered. Buyers are offering \$13.25 cash and \$13.50 July at which rates shares changed hands.

Utilities were not very active. China Lights are wanted for June Settlement, and the rumour of a big shortage of shares may not be without foundation. Holders are disinclined to operate at present rates.

Cements hardened and business was again done at \$10 July.

Ropes were easier at \$22.

Dairy Farms and Watsons are inquired for at \$28.00 and \$13.75. May 13, 5 p.m.

TRAIN SMASH
INQUIRY.PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED
YESTERDAY.

SPECIAL JURY EMANELLED.

Sitting as Coroner at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton empanelled a special jury, comprising Mr. J. P. Warren (Chairman), Mr. J. D. Danby and Captain A. N. Davidson, to inquire into the recent railway disaster on the Kowloon-Canton Railway line at a point between Shatin and Taiipo. The actual inquiry was into the death of a Chinese woman who lost her life in the disaster.

Addressing the jury at the outset, Mr. Hamilton said: "As you are aware, Gentlemen, the custom in this Colony, when an accident such as the recent railway disaster takes place, is that an inquiry is held into the death of one or more particular persons. The inquiry is then extended to go into the whole question of the disaster. It has been the method used in connection with the disaster of the Racecourse fire in 1916 and more recently the King Edward Hotel fire, which I held some two years ago. The same procedure will be followed to-day. Your inquiry will nominally be into the death of this woman, but it will embrace the whole of the circumstances of the disaster and I trust you will return such riders as you may see fit to add. If you think any action should be taken or any blame should be apportioned you will no doubt add that in the form of a rider. For these reasons, I have asked for a special jury."

Medical Evidence.

Dr. K. H. Utley, of the Kowloon Hospital, then gave evidence on the result of his *post-mortem* examination on the body of the deceased. Death, he said, was due to asphyxia.

Sergeant E. E. Wood gave evidence of the finding of the woman's body among the debris.

The husband of the deceased woman, in giving evidence of identification of his wife's body, said that he was not aware that she was a passenger on the ill-fated train.

A Mr. Hamilton: I gather some of these unfortunate women had been to the gambling school at Shum-shun?

Sub-Inspector Elston (representing the Police): Yes, your Worship.

Photographs of the disaster were next put in by Inspector Vincent, the official police photographer.

Mr. M. I. de Ville, of the Public Works Department, produced plans of the scene of the disaster and the surrounding district, made from a survey on May 10. The plans were actually made last week.

The hearing will be continued to-day, the Coroner adjourning the inquiry in order to view the scene of the disaster with the jury.

INFRINGEMENT TRADE
MARK.CASE BEFORE KOWLOON
MAGISTRATE.

CHINESE FIRMS FINED.

Fines of \$25 each were imposed on the representatives of each of four Chinese firms, who were convicted on a summons for infringement of Messrs. Clark and Company's "Anchor" marks, applied to the firm's mercerised silk thread.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara appeared for the complainant firm.

In answer to the summonses, the defendants all stated that they had purchased the skeins of thread from travelling traders and were not aware that the trade marks were infringements.

His Worship asked Mr. Macnamara what evidence he had that the defendants were wilfully defrauding the complainants.

Mr. Macnamara replied that once the goods were found in the possession of the defendants it was for them to show ignorance. The onus was thrown on them to show that they had no guilty knowledge.

Addressing the defendants, his Worship asked if they wished to offer any evidence which would show him that they had taken all reasonable precautions against accepting goods bearing false trade marks.

Purchased in Ignorance.

The defendants repeated that they had purchased the thread without knowing that it bore false trade marks.

His Worship asked if they realised that, legally, it was their duty to know.

Mr. Macnamara said complainants had written to each of the defendants and in each case all information possible was supplied to the complainants by the defendants. They all stated that the goods had been bought from travelling traders, which seemed to be true enough. As far as the defendants, who were dealers, were concerned, they must have known perfectly well that the packages bore infringed trade marks. In each case they also had the genuine article in their possession. The genuine article was mercerised silk and was clearly distinguishable from that on which was the infringed trade mark, which was ordinary thread. The infringed articles were also sold much cheaper.

His Worship, in convicting the defendants, said they probably knew perfectly well that the goods found in their possession bore infringed trade marks, but that they hoped they would not be found out. They had however, subsequently given all the information in their power.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

FORTHCOMING RECEPTION
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We are asked to state that the correct dress for the Reception at Government House on the evening of June 3 will be:—

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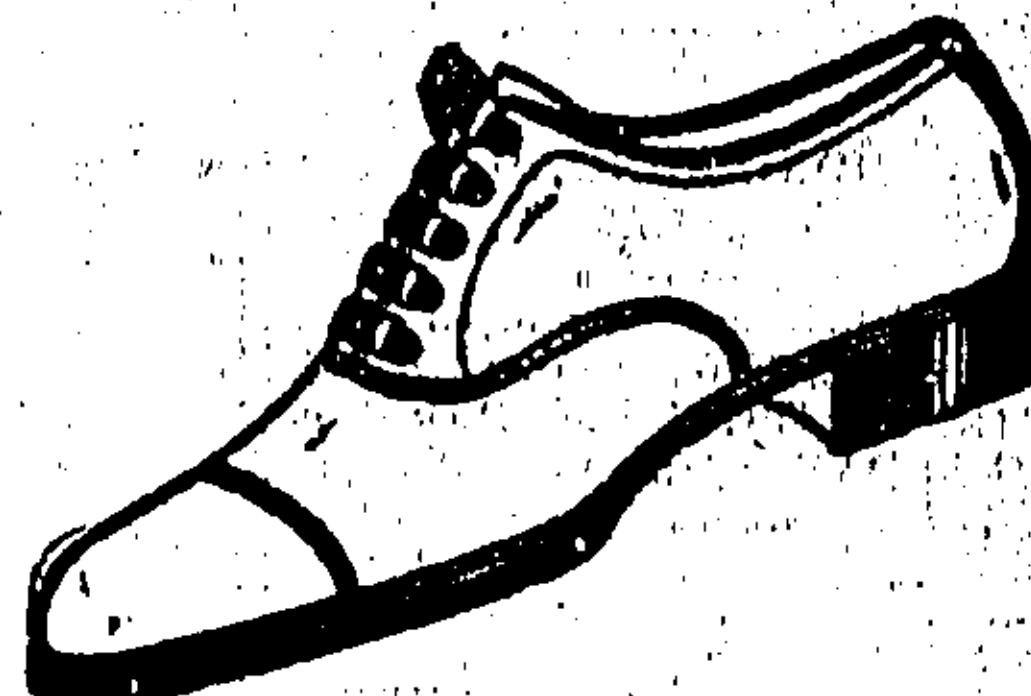
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The Dollar Steamship Line have announced that repairs on the s.s. President Cleveland will not be completed for several days and that the s.s. President Madison has been substituted to take the schedule of the President Cleveland.

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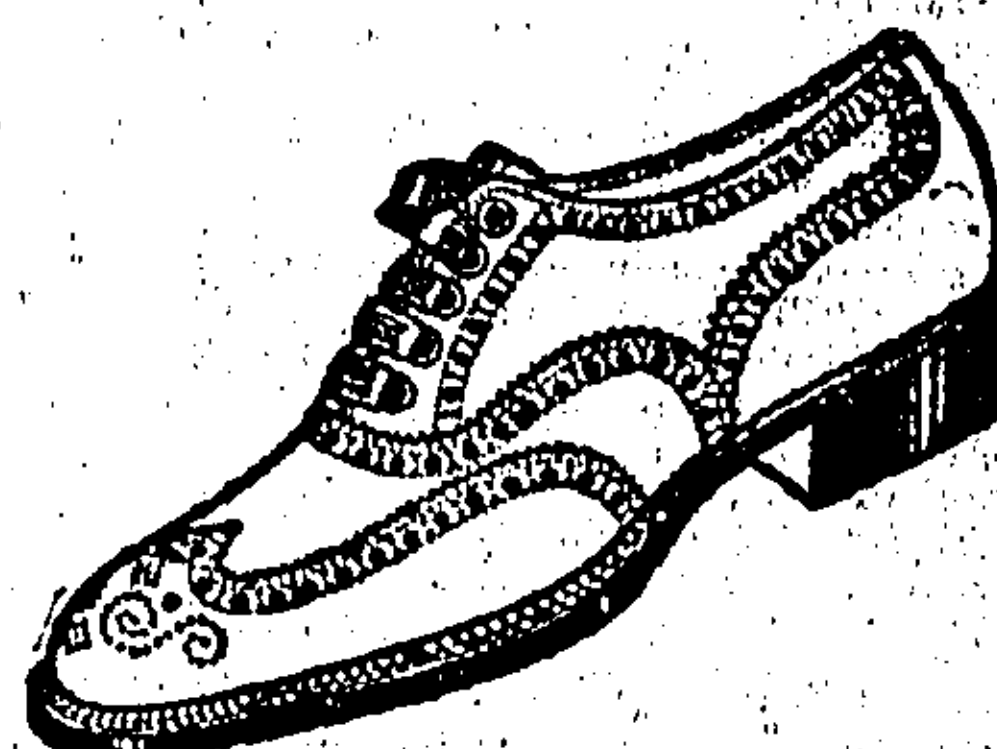
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OWNERS are Reminded that RACE MEETING will CLOSE on THURSDAY, 14th May, 1931, at 12 O'clock Noon. [728.]

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THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th May, 1931, commencing at 2.30 P.M. The First Race will be Run at 2 P.M. MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed. No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including Tea) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Chits, &c. Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon Application to the SECRETARY, Badges (Limited to One) for the Free Admission to the Members' Enclosure of Wives, Lady Relatives and Friends. Names must be stated when applying. On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

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Bookmakers, Tipsters, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the Enclosure of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th May, 1931. [721]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 6th Floor on SATURDAY, the 16th DAY of MAY, 1931, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the period ended 31st December, 1930, to Elect Auditors, and to Transact such other Business as may be Properly Transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company. And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 10th DAY of MAY, 1931. Both Days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1931. [691]

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The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 10th MAY, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hong Kong, 28th April, 1931. [682]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 15th MAY, 1931, to 22nd MAY, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
HERBERT R. STURT,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1931. [727]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 4.10 p.m., stated:

A moderate anticyclone is central to the N.E. of Japan. The depression between the Loochoos and the Bonins is moving eastward. The depression over Indo-China has deepened slightly.

Local Forecast:—E. winds, fresh to moderate; cloudy; some rain.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MAY 14, 1931.

THE BRITISH ECONOMIC SITUATION.

AN exhaustive and penetrating analysis of the economic situation in Great Britain was recently made by Sir WALTER LAYTON, editor of *The Economist*, and published in the *Revue de Paris*. The article served as a heartening affirmation of the essential soundness of the British position, and it should dissipate a great deal of the pessimistic atmosphere created by the many hasty and superficial declarations made by both British and foreign writers of a permanent decline in British prosperity.

The article opens by outlining a number of the statements made. For example, it has been said that the shift of the centre of gravity of the world's industrial activities to America has left Great Britain a declining force; that the British people cannot hope to recover, in present conditions, from the industrial set-back due to the war; that a rapid change cannot be effected in economic organisation owing to conservative traditions; and that British workers have been spoiled by a high standard of living, which the country cannot afford.

In considering how Great Britain has fared since the war, it is as well to deal with the period between 1924 and the end of 1929. 1924 was the year when the country had settled down after the post-war boom and decline, and it was also the year when the first post-war census of production was taken; and the slump in 1929 was a world-wide phenomenon due to world causes. Sir WALTER LAYTON shows, then, that the Board of Trade index of production demonstrates that national production was 11.6 per cent. greater in 1929 than in 1924. During the same period the population increased by less than 2 per cent.

The unemployment figures are interesting in this connection. During 1929 they were high, as they had been for some years, but relatively they were no higher than in 1924. The number of workers available for employment, as the workers' insurance statistics showed, had increased by seven per cent., and the number of those who had found employment had increased by approximately the same figure. In 1924 the average number in employment was 9,930,000; in 1929 the average number in employment was 10,020,000. It might be noted here, as evidence of improvement in the technique of British production, that a seven per cent. increase in the number of employed has gone with an 11.6 per cent. increase in productivity.

There is another point worthy of special note in connection with this question of unemployment. In 1924 the number of workers actually employed was 10,000 more than in the year before the war—which was a year of exceptionally good trade and very little unemployment. In 1929 there were thus 800,000 more persons employed than in 1919. Meanwhile there had been a rising standard of living. Real wages (based on actual rates paid) have increased by approximately eight per cent. since 1924. Further, hours of labour have been reduced by about ten per cent., and there has been a greater provision of "social

services"—of old age and widows' pensions, housing subsidies, health services, and so on. During the past thirty years, to go outside the period with which we have so far concerned ourselves, infantile mortality has been approximately halved, and the average expectation of life has been considerably increased.

A consideration of the consumption per head of population of certain commodities for different periods is interesting. In 1919 the consumption of sugar per head was 83.22 lbs., in 1924 it was 78.04, in 1929 it was 86.04; of tea it was 6.09 lbs. in 1919, in 1924 it was 8.81, in 1929 it was 10.15; of butter (imported) it was 12.72, in 1929 it was 15.36; of beef (imported) it was 21.09 lbs. in 1919, in 1924 it was 30.38, in 1929 it was 29.07; of bacon it was 13.68 lbs. in 1919, in 1924 it was 22.27, in 1929 it was 21.57. (In connection with the great increase in tea consumption, it should be noted that there has been a great falling off in the consumption of alcoholic drinks, partly due to changing habits and partly to very high taxation.)

Taking the period from 1913 to 1929, Post Office Savings deposits rose from £35 millions to £213 millions. Building Societies' assets rose from £69 millions to £213 millions. Industrial and Commercial Life Insurance Premiums increased from £66 millions to £234 millions. In 1929 National Savings Certificates were outstanding to the tune of £470 millions. As these figures represent in the main the savings of the wage-earning classes they show that the financial position of the masses of the British people is sound.

The standard of living thus attained is high compared with that of other European countries. The purchasing power of the German workers' wage is, on the average, three-fourths of that of the British worker, while that of the French worker is about three-fifths. And, in spite of all that has been said and written, Great Britain can afford such a higher standard of living, for it has been accompanied by increasing productivity and an increasing volume of employment. This is but a bare summary of a section of Sir WALTER LAYTON's striking article—there is no space to deal with his analyses of Rationalisation, of Imports and Exports, of Monetary Policy, etc.; but his conclusions are of a distinctly optimistic character, and they are unquestionably sound.

THE PRINCE AS "LIAISON OFFICER."

A few weeks ago the British Cotton Mission to the Far East issued a "grave warning" to Lancashire in regard to production costs and antiquated marketing systems. This warning was re-echoed more recently in the report of the British Economic Mission to the Far East, in which British manufacturers as a whole were bluntly told: that, unless new and up-to-date methods of production and salesmanship were employed, the Chinese and Japanese markets would inevitably be lost to Britain. Hard but unassailable facts!

Now the PRINCE OF WALES has added his voice on the question of British trade in the great South American Continent, from which he and his brother, Prince George, have just returned after a triumphant tour. The Prince's remarks, as summarised by Reuters, make an interesting and instructive reading, and bear out the damning statements of the British experts who recently toured the Far East. The present situation in China and South America are not analogous as the latter is on a much smaller ratio than in the former, principally because our biggest competitor, Japan, is not so close to China. However, the Prince stressed the vital necessity of British manufacturers getting in line with those of other countries, especially as regards low costs of production, modern salesmanship, advertising, "in which the North Americans are adepts," and the provision of English news.

The final item—the provision of English news—is worthy of comment. In these days of intense competition in the world's markets, the old conservative barriers, behind which Britain has ensconced herself, must be broken down. Britain must take her place in the world as a producer and her products and her systems—in fact, the country and the Empire. Britain must keep herself in the world's eye instead of earning a vicarious reputation on the strength of the "quality" of her products. The slogan of "quality," as the PRINCE OF WALES pointed out in his speech at Manchester, must give way to that of "price," but this does not necessarily mean that our reputation for quality should be sacrificed.

The Prince has offered his services as a liaison officer between British merchants and South American buyers, and we shall watch with interest to what extent this offer is taken advantage of. As there is no doubt that British merchants in the Far East, like those in South America, will benefit, if his services in this respect are utilised.

★ News and Views ★

The Vitamines Fad.

Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, asking people not to worry about vitamins, says, "Every one who eats sensibly has enough vitamins stored in his body to tide through a few weeks or even months of semi-starvation."

For Good Turn.

Princess Ghika, whose stage name was Liane de Pougy, is to write her memoirs. But she has had a kind thought for a public flooded with reminiscences. She has arranged that her memoirs shall not be published for another 70 years.

Men of Letters.

The whole of the English-speaking races will have with regret that the B.C.C. Pronunciation Committee cannot agree whether the final "e" in painforte should be silent or not. While the travail of the academicians continues, we must be content with the practice of more musicians, and call the instrument a piano.

The Flying Mania.

Chicago gangsters are so elusive that the authorities take no chances once they catch them. Benjamin Schimerin, George Miller and John Vincek were sentenced for holding up a hotel. The authorities, pondering over the dangers of sending them to gaol by road or train, feared that Chicago gunmen might hold up the guards and rescue the gangsters. So the three went to gaol by airplane.

Wanted for 20 Murders.

Rewards, totalling \$20,000 have been offered by the U.S. Government and by eighteen State Governments for the arrest of Fred Burke, who is wanted on charges of 20 murders. Among the charges against him are: Killing two men with a machine-gun in Detroit; killing a policeman at Toledo, Ohio; killing a woman in a bank robbery at Columbus, Indiana, and wounding another; taking part in the St. Valentine's Day massacre of seven gangsters in Chicago; bank robbery at Wisconsin, in which \$70,000 were taken.

A Nasty Fellow.

Now spring garments were donned by all the inmates of the London Zoo, last month and his keepers had an exciting few minutes when Ajax, the 16th hamadryad (or king cobra), followed the fashion. When the venomous snake casts his scales from can never shed the old scales from his eyes without human assistance, and giving for Ajax is aggressive and pleasant. This is what happened. The keepers opened the door of the den and the reptile promptly raised his head, inflated his neck, and prepared to attack. Just as he was about to strike his head was secured in a snake-stick and his body firmly grasped. His struggles ceased during the scaling process, which was pleasant. But Ajax was an ungovernable creature, and a bit of relief that the keepers shut the den door and left its occupant to strike at it vindictively from within.

Highbrows at Home.

A little sidelight on a poet. "Swainburne . . . stood, perfectly rigid, . . . close to a low settle in the middle of the studio. Every now and then, without breaking off talking or bending his body, he hopped on to this sofa, and presently hopped down again."—From a letter of Sir Edmund Gosse's.

Margaret McMillan.

Let us remember the lesson of Margaret McMillan. She fought the municipal Bumbles of Britain for years, and then, in spite of them, set up her own system of feeding slum babies from death, dirt, disease and hunger. Last month she died. But her system of infant welfare, after much bullying by successive Ministers of Health, is being slowly adopted by the pontifical town councils of England.

The Prize Pestilist.

Mankind is gradually becoming weaker and is doomed to complete extinction, says Dr. Otto Grosser, Professor at the German University of Prague. He bases his prediction on a long study of embryology. Specialised types, he says, have always been more susceptible to the forces of nature. He believes that men will die out from "influence within the race itself," rather than from the physical forces of the earth.

The Grief of Mr. Gump.

The courts have granted an American applicant permission to change his name from James Edward Gump to James Edward Gale. Mr. Gale (or Gump), who is an insurance agent, told the judge that he had become "acutely sensitive" about his name, "which had been widely advertised by strip cartoonists" of that of a man with a funny face. Since childhood, continued the applicant, he had been handicapped by the humorous associations of his name, and he "gradually developed an inferiority complex." The Dictionary, he pointed out, defined a "gump" as a simpleton. When he married, his wife's sensitiveness in the matter was added to his own.

The Man and His Food!

Lightnings have been flung from the quipsters of America this week-end at the naughty scientists who suggested that some of "humanity's noblest impulses" are largely the result of diet. These fulminations came about because somebody said that the withholding of a trace of manganese from rats food killed the instinct for mother-love in the mother-rats. And this idea, according to the preachers, signified a dangerous extension of materialism. Surely both sides might be reconciled by the invocation of a sense of humour regarding this matter of diet. It did not need the laboratory to teach us that strong drink, at a critical moment, could give a trembling man Dutch courage, and that a large grilled steak, could alter the social outlook of a hungry and snarling man, turning him into an amiable companion.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Messrs. Andersen, Meyer & Co., Ltd., sole agents for the General Electric Co., are giving a demonstration of their refrigerators at the Wing On Co.'s Building (1st floor), between 4 and 6 p.m., on the 15th, 16th and 17th instants.

The Eastern Football Club will hold their first annual athletic sports meeting on Sunday, May 17, at the South China ground, Caroline Hill. An open relay race of 800 metres (four a side) is open to all the clubs in the Colony, and the entrance fee is \$1. At the conclusion of the sports, Mrs. D. M. Biggar will present the prizes.

The condition of the Chinese detective who is now lying at the Government Civil Hospital as the result of an alleged assault by two British soldiers on the night of May 2, in Pedder Street, is still considered to be very serious. The soldiers will appear before the Magistrate on remand this morning, having been in military custody for a week.

When ten Chinese stowaways on the s.s. Van Heutze were brought before Mr. Hamilton yesterday, the fastidious stowaways were very seldom found on British ships. It was then stated that this was due to the strict search made by the British vessels prior to their departure. The defendants in this case were found guilty, and were severally fined \$50 or six weeks' hard labour in default.

One case (Chinese) of typhoid and one case (non-Chinese) of diphtheria were reported during the 24 hours ended May 12.

"What do you do for a living?" asked Mr. Schofield of a Chinese boy at Central Magistracy yesterday when in possession of 19 tins of opium on a river boat. "I am a smuggler," replied the youth. He was accordingly fined \$1,400 or six months' imprisonment in default.

The m.v. *Australin*, one of the world's largest Diesel tankers and the largest that ever visited the East, came into port on Monday evening from Port Arthur, Texas. She brought with her 9,332 tons of kerosene and gasoline for this port and made fast to the Texas Company's wharf at Tsim Wan. She is under the command of Capt. R. B. Armstrong, and her crew number forty-six.

Looking Back 25 Years.

The second meeting of the Hong Kong Gymkhana Club was held under most favourable weather conditions on Saturday. The turf was fast, the racing good, and what was more satisfactory, a large attendance witnessed it. H.E. the Governor, with a party from Government House, arrived shortly before the first race, and witnessed the events from his private box. The band of the Royal West Kent Regiment was in attendance, and provided music during the afternoon. The clerks

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Whale Extinction Impossible?

According to Commander Larsen, the Antarctic airman-explorer, the future extent and magnitude of Antarctic whaling operations may have to be a matter of "fixed international agreement" between England, Norway, Denmark, South Africa, and Argentina, defining what reduction of operations each country must observe. "The Commander disbelieves in all whole extinction theories. Having now navigated the whole accessible Antarctic whaling area, he holds that whales there 'will continue to breed faster than they are caught.' "Whales have become very learned," he says, "in ways of evading their chasers and in understanding the latter's tactics, and this, I may say, is a matter that has aroused much comment throughout the Antarctic this year. But my opinion is that for other (the market and financing) reasons whales can never be wiped out. It costs five or £200,000 to £300,000 to outfit an expedition. Who is going to meet that just to chance catching a few remaining whales? To-day, however, we think of whales in millions, and I repeat that they will continue to breed faster than they are caught. I think it certain that next season while catching must be reduced because there is almost two seasons' surplus accumulation of oil. Before the present season began it was 1,800,000 barrels. Before next season can begin that will have been possibly so added to that I suppose we could cease whaling for a whole year."

of the Pari-Mutuel were busy as usual but were not called upon to disburse any large dividends, the highest paid being \$26,70, the amount the backers of Blue Nile, the winner of the Challenge Club, were returned. The entries in the polo pony race, and in the bran race, Indies' nomination, were as large as in any of the others, but from a spectator's point of view these events were not interesting, and in the latter a little dissatisfaction was caused through a scarcity of roses, only nine being available, whereas there were twelve entrants, and three of these had to withdraw.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, May 14, 1930.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The Hong Kong and China Gas Company have announced that the price of gas will be reduced from 81 to 83.50 per thousand feet, the reduction to take effect from July 1 next.

On the afternoon of the 10th instant a public sale of land by auction was held when Inland Lot No. 644, in 1st House Lane, containing 4,700 sq. feet, was offered for competition, the upset price being \$8,400. After a keen competition, the lot was knocked down to a Chinese gentleman for \$12,625. The activity which has lately characterised the Hong Kong share market is indicated by the fact that the stamp revenue on the transfer of shares during last month was \$1,410 as against \$831 in April last year, being an increase of \$1,079. A good deal of business has lately been done on the time bargain system.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, May 14, 1931.

TRIAL OF EX-KING ALFONSO?

MONKS PLOTTING AGAINST REPUBLIC?

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, May 12. Announcing his intention to prosecute ex-king Alfonso, who is now living at Fontainebleau, in connection with the recent disturbances in Spain, the Public Prosecutor says that the intimate relationship between ex-king Alfonso and a number of aristocrats must be immediately investigated.

Dr. Albinana, the "Spanish Hitler," was arrested this afternoon, as well as members of the Committee of the Monarchist Union.

Situation Quieter.

The Minister of the Interior states that the situation is quieter in the towns where there was trouble yesterday.

Martial Law Proclaimed in Murcia.

MADRID, May 13. Members of religious communities in many places in the provinces are leaving convents and monasteries fearing a continuance of attacks.

Further details of disturbances in the provinces yesterday show that martial law was declared in Murcia, where two convents and the offices of the Catholic newspaper *Verdad* were set on fire.

Monastery Damaged.

A bomb extensively damaged the Carmelite Monastery in Granada.

There were only two casualties in the rioting in the provinces; a child was killed by a rifle shot and during the attack on the convent in Alicante the rector of the Jesuit College was seriously injured by jumping from a window.

Later.

Trouble continues in Andalusia despite Government measures. So far three people have been killed and eight injured during the rioting in Cordova.

Later.

Martial law has been declared in Granada. It is now reported that four people were killed and ten wounded in Cordova where the rioters looted gun-merchants' shops and police and great difficulty in restoring order.

Arms Found in Monasteries.

It is alleged that arms and ammunition have been discovered in monasteries in Valencia, also documents showing that the monks were plotting against the Republic.

Cardinal Segura, whose resignation was demanded, is reported to have fled from Toledo by motor-car escorted by police.

The Minister of Finance, Senor Prieto, explains that the Stock Exchange is closed because a well-known financier is trying to cause a collapse with a view to the restoration of the Monarchy.

Royal Palace Broken Into.

A state of siege has been proclaimed in Valencia following attacks on several religious establishments during the night.

The death roll at Cordova is now five.

The Bourbon's Royal Summer Palace at Santander is reported to have been broken into last night by some persons unknown who stole a large quantity of valuables, including several of ex-king Alfonso's gold and silver jewelry.

Strict precautions are being taken by convents in Guadalupe where discovered Communists were planning an attack.

Anti-Clerical Riots.

GIBRALTAR, May 13. There was violent anti-clerical rioting in the town of Algeiras, San Roque, and Linares when rioters, led by Communists, who arrived from Malaga in lorries, attacked churches, profaning altars, throwing down the images and dragging them into the streets with ropes round their necks.

The rioters stopped and burned cars conveying refugees to Gibraltar and maltreated and robbed the occupants.

The hotels here are full of panic-stricken refugees.

EX-KING OF ASHANTI DEAD.

A MISSIONARY SON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

KUMASI, May 12. One of Britain's "little wars," the third Ashanti Campaign of 1900-4, is recalled by the death of Nana Prempeh, ex-king of Ashanti, whose persistence in offering human sacrifices caused the launching of an expedition against him.

King Prempeh was deposed and banished to the Seychelles Islands, from where he was permitted to return in 1924.

His son is a Christian missionary.

PRESIDENCY OF FRANCE.

M. DOUMER LEADS FIRST BALLOT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, May 13. The stage is set in the historic palace of Versailles for the National Presidential Election. The Assembly consisting of the Senate and Chamber sitting together this afternoon. To the foreign observer perhaps the most striking feature in the preparations is the absence of any "election atmosphere" which is due to the fact that no official nomination is necessary. This also accounts for the fact that beside M. Briand, M. Doumer and M. Hennessy (the "Cognac King") twenty French candidates have written to the Minister of the Interior offering themselves for election; they include an unemployed man, a landowner, an electrician, a waiter and a pensioned railwayman.

Last Moment Tips.

PARIS, May 13. Last moment tips are still slightly in favour of M. Briand.

In the event of M. Briand's election a hostile demonstration outside the Palace by extreme Rightists is feared, but the Commander of the *Gendarmes* outside the Chateau said: "We have not heard of any impending trouble. Anyhow we are ready and have ten thousand men outside the Chateau."

The weather is perfect and voting starts at 2 p.m. and lasts for two hours after which the counting lasts for half an hour.

The result should be known by 1.30 p.m., but in the event of a second ballot, if no candidate obtains an absolute majority the result will be delayed till 9 p.m.

Rowdy Scene at Opening.

VERSAILLES, May 13. Communist cries of "Soviet, Soviet" rang out against loud cheers by Right and Centrists as M. Doumer punctuated at 2 p.m. rose to open the National Assembly. Though himself a candidate for the Presidency M. Doumer is presiding over the Assembly by virtue of his position as President of the Senate.

The uproar continued while M. Doumer read out the Statutory Articles governing the election and the noise was redoubled by Socialists trying to shout down the Communists. M. Doumer, however, continued unmoved and picked out at random the letter L in the dictionary thereby signifying the voting would begin with Senators and Deputies whose names begin with that letter.

FIRST BALLOT.

[Havas Agency.]

PARIS, May 13. The first ballot concluded as follows:

M. Doumer 432
M. Briand 391

Second Poll Urged.

For the Presidency of France a second poll has been urged.

WILL OF THE PRINCESS ROYAL.

£46,000 ESTATE.

Probate has been granted of the will of the Princess Royal. The grant has been issued to Major James Ulrick Francis Canning Alexander, of Stratton-square W., by whom the value of the unsettled property is returned at £46,383 gross, with net personality nil. This is exclusive of settled property of considerable amount. Following the rule in the case of members of the Royal family, the grant is issued without annexing a copy of the will.

The procedure in regard to Royal wills and those of ordinary citizens of the realm is different. The wills of all members of the Royal family, excepting that of the reigning monarch, are sealed and deposited in the strong room at Somerset House, where they are kept. The order for the sealing of a Royal will is made by a judge of the High Court, on application from the solicitors concerned, and only the solicitors and executors are allowed to inspect it. Probate is granted without necessity to annex a copy of the will itself, and the details are not made public.

SUGAR KING MURDERED.

TWO MEN CONFESS TO CRIME.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, May 12. The body of a man found in a packing case in a warehouse has been identified as that of Eschazvier, Director of the Dutch Indies Sugar Union and other sugar enterprises, who has been missing since May 9. Apparently he was murdered.

Two Arrests.

AMSTERDAM, May 13. Two men have been arrested in connection with the murder of Eschazvier, to which it is alleged they have confessed.

The police state that Eschazvier was recently negotiating with the inventor regarding a certain invention when Eschazvier apparently became distrustful and refused to supply more money. The inventor persisted in his request and it is alleged that he rented an empty warehouse under an assumed name. When the owner of the warehouse entered last night he saw a shoe protruding from the packing case and discovered the millionaire's body tied with a rope and a leather strap.

ABBAS HILMI RENOUNCES CLAIM TO THRONE.

DEPOSED IN 1914.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, May 12. A political sensation has been caused by the announcement that Abbas Hilmi, ex-Khedy of Egypt, has renounced all claims to the throne and has recognised King Fuad as the legitimate Sovereign.

Abbas Hilmi was deposed in 1914, when Egypt was declared a British protectorate, and lived in exile in Constantinople and Switzerland.

The document of renunciation was signed at Lausanne following negotiations with the Premier, Sidky Pasha.

TARIFF REDUCTION.

SEVEN COUNTRIES TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROCHESTER, May 12. The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Graham, stated in the House of Commons to-day that seven countries—Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Poland and Switzerland—had indicated their willingness to consider proposals for tariff reduction with a view to a possible opening of negotiations.

Proposals on behalf of the British Government have been put forward accordingly, but detailed negotiations have not yet started.

WIFE AND "SPIRIT CIRCLE."

EXTRAORDINARY BRIGHTON COURT STORY.

BRIGHTON.—An astonishing story was told at Brighton Police Court when Henry Gaston Baillet, aged 34, a clerk employed in the legal department of the Town Hall, was charged with leaving his wife chargeable to the borough. Baillet declared that he had not run away, but had gone to Worthing to serve the Lord, who had "reappeared" there in the form of Mr. Frederick Charles Hodges, of St. Matthews-road, Worthing.

Mrs. Baillet said that her husband left home on March 11, and she had to apply for relief. She went three times to see him at Mr. Hodges's house, but he refused to return home.

About Mr. Hodges Mrs. Baillet said: "He calls himself Jesus Christ. He used to carry on a spirit circle at Brighton. My husband told me that he believes that Mr. Hodges is Jesus Christ, and that his work must come before me or anyone else."

A policeman said that when arrested at Worthing Baillet told him that sometimes he did not get enough to eat, and that it was part of the training.

"Affection Unchanged." Baillet declared in evidence that Mr. Hodges was Christ. He left home because his wife created scenes when he met members of the cult. "I did not run away from my wife," he said. "I went to fulfil my duties to the Lord Christ. My affection for my wife is unchanged. I asked her to accompany me to Worthing, but she refused." He was remanded on bail.

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS.

COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL REJECTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANBERRA, May 13. The Senate to-day rejected the Commonwealth Bank Bill by 21 votes to 4.

A message from Canberra, dated May 6, stated that a deadlock had been reached between the Federal Government Board and the Commonwealth Bank over a provision in the Commonwealth Bank Amendment Bill empowering the Government to draw on the Bank's reserve for overseas debt payments.

HOME RAILWAY MERGER.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC RECEIPTS TO BE POOLED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROCHESTER, May 12. All the four main lines of British railways have reached an agreement with the Ministry of Transport to pool the gross receipts of their suburban passenger traffic and bring them into a scheme to merge all passenger transport within the London traffic area.

This decision was announced to-day when the Select Committee of both Houses of Parliament considered the London Passenger Transport Bill, under which the London Transport Board would be established, controlling the Underground Railways, tubes and trams. Agreement has already been reached with the underground group. The Board's receipts are estimated at £37,000,000 annually.

NEW BRITISH SPEEDWAY.

TO BE FINEST IN THE WORLD.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROCHESTER, May 12. The British Automobile Racing Association are proceeding with a scheme for providing for the country track along the north shore of the Wash, from Boston to Skegness. The track is 200 yards wide, dead straight and flat, and will be the finest speedway in the world.

It will make possible speeds in excess of the present record of 34.7 miles per hour set up by Sir Malcolm Campbell.

There will also be a 12-mile road racing track and a 6-mile waterway for motor boats with an aerodrome, golf course, and grandstand four miles long.

It is hoped to start construction during the Summer or early Autumn.

OIL FROM COAL.

IMPORTANT ADMIRALTY DECISION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12. An important step in the Admiralty policy is indicated by the invitation of tenders to supply thousands of tons of oil extracted from British coal. The acceptance of any tender will depend upon the price asked.

HOME GOLF.

SOUTHPORT TOURNAMENT.

BRITISH PLAYER RETURNS BEST SCORE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12. Although the Americans, Joe Turner and Horton Smith, equalled the course record of 60, the Englishman, Len Holland, repeated the feat, and finally led the field of 197 players who qualified in the Southport 1,500 guineas Professional Tournament, in which the competition proper (72-hole stroke play), begins to-morrow.

Leading scores were: Holland (Britain) 72+60=141
Turner (U.S.A.) 73+60=142
Allis (Germany) 71+73=141

Other outstanding returns were those of the captain of the British Ryder Cup team: Charles Whitecombe 74+72=146
Horton Smith (U.S.A.) 73+60=147
Compston (Britain) 73+76=149
Henry Cotton (Britain) 74+78=152
George Duncanson (Britain) 74+78=152

George Duncanson (Britain) just scraped in at the limit score, with an 80 and a 76, for an aggregate of 156.

CINEMA FIRE IN JAPAN.

SIXTEEN PEOPLE KILLED; THIRTY INJURED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, May 13. Sixteen people were burned to death, while thirty were injured in a fire which broke out last night in the village of Shimamaki, in the Hokkaido district, during a cinema exhibition which was being given in a temporary shack. The film suddenly burst into flames and terrified the audience. About two hundred people started in a wild stampede for the exit but the flames spread rapidly engulfing the panic-stricken people in their mad rush to escape.

Sixteen houses in the vicinity were destroyed before the conflagration was finally subdued.

Only Exit Blocked.

LATER. The death roll of the Shimamaki fire is now seventeen, all of whom are women and children. When the film caught fire the only exit was blocked and the death toll would have been heavier had not many jumped through the windows to safety.

PRINCE OF WALES AND ADVERTISING.

BRITISH PROPAGANDA URGED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROCHESTER, May 12. At the end of a strenuous day spent in touring engineering factories and speaking on his recent South American tour at the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce dinner, the Prince of Wales paid a visit in the small hours of this morning to the glass works of Messrs. Chance, Limited, of Smethwick, where is produced glass used in the majority of the world's optical and scientific instruments in the world.

Workmen on the night shift gave the Prince and his brother, Prince George, a rousing cheer as they left. This morning the Prince flew on to Manchester, where the Prince of Wales to-day again addressed business men on trade openings in South America. He advised more intensive advertising of British wares and urged the necessity of adopting British goods, whose reputation for quality stood extremely high in South America, to the specific requirements of particular overseas markets.

£11,000 FOR HOWARD CUP.

TO BE PRESENTED TO THE NATION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROCHESTER, May 12. At Christie's Auction Rooms to-day an historic relic known as the Howard Cup was purchased for £11,000 by Lord Wakefield for presentation to the Nation. The relic consists of a small ivory cup believed to have been the drinking cup of Thomas a Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, who was murdered in the 12th century. The cup, to which a superb silver gilt stand and superstructure was added afterwards, was bequeathed to Catherine of Aragon, the first wife of King Henry VIII. For many generations the cup has been in the possession of the Howards, Dukes of Norfolk.

PEACE CORPS' ATTITUDE.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

CANTON, May 13. Great anxiety is felt regarding the fate of two regiments of the local Peace Corps which are stationed at Whampoa and were formerly under the direct command of General Chen Ming Shu. Since the latter's resignation from the governorship of Kwangtung, the attitude of the regimental commanders of the local Peace Corps towards the present Canton régime is extremely doubtful.

Peace Corps to Defend Fort.

LATER.

Part of the local Peace Corps at Whampoa have taken up strategic positions at the Chingchow Fort in readiness to put up resistance to the expected attack of General Chen Tsai Tong's troops. It is reported that a large store of ammunition belonging to General Chen Ming Shu is laid up at the Chingchow Fort and therefore the local Peace Corps must defend it at any cost.

CHEN MING SHU IN SHANGHAI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, May 13. Chen Ming Shu arrived at Shanghai yesterday afternoon.

CANTON READY FOR WAR.

CRACK REGIMENTS "SIT ON THE FENCE."

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, May 13. According to Mr. Au Fong Po, a right-hand man of General Chen Tsai Tong, in an interview with the local Pressmen this morning, Canton is fully prepared for war. At present no less than three divisions of troops in addition to several independent brigades are stationed in the North River district, guarding all the strategic points leading to Kwangtung. On the northern border along Shikwan, Namhang and Chihing the 3rd Division under Commander Li Yang King is dug in, prepared for any eventuality, while the defence of the vast stretch of land between Canton and Yingtak is entrusted to the troops of General Yu Han Mow. General Hsin Hsin Ping has charge of the protection of the East River districts with his headquarters in Swatow. The suburbs of Canton, such as Tze Hoi Tai in Tungshan and Sui Tsuen, have also taken on the appearance of an armed camp.

Chiang's Troops to Invade Canton.

That Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has not only refused to submit himself to impeachment as demanded by four members of the Central Supervisory Committee of the Kuomintang and upheld by Canton but is sending four divisions of his best troops down to the South to cope with the Canton situation has been admitted in official circles here. Such a step on the part of the head of the Nanking Government has only meant an intensification of the hatred and indignation of the new régime in Canton, making it all the more determined to clash with Chiang Kai Shek.

\$800,000 for Nineteenth Military Route?

The silence of the 19th Military Route in Kwangsi, generally known as the two crack divisions of Kwangtung and the conquerors of the "Ironclads," is causing considerable anxiety in local military circles. Whether or not the two crack divisions of Kwangtung will join hands with General Chen Tsai Tong in his revolt against Chiang Kai Shek remains to be seen. It is unlikely that these conquerors of the "Ironclads" will join hands with them again, as General Chen Tsai Tong has done. Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has of late been supplying this 19th Military Route with great consignments of arms and ammunition, with the hope of persuading it to remain loyal to Nanking. But General Chen Tsai Tong is also attempting to buy it over to his side, and is reported to have sent his subordinate, Mr. Ho Lok, with \$800,000 for this purpose. But thus far the 19th Military Route has expressed no opinion as to which side it will take. Most probable (Continued on previous Column.)

UNEQUAL TREATIES ABOLISHED!

MANIFESTO ADOPTED BY PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, May 13. The People's Convention to-day enthusiastically and unanimously adopted the manifesto for issue, declaring that all unequal Treaties would be no longer recognised. It also says it had been hoped that the Powers would abrogate them themselves, having repeatedly expressed sympathy with China's desires. It adds that the abolition of these Treaties is essential to China's development, also that they are obsolete and not compatible to the present conditions of this country.

CHINESE MINISTER RESIGNS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

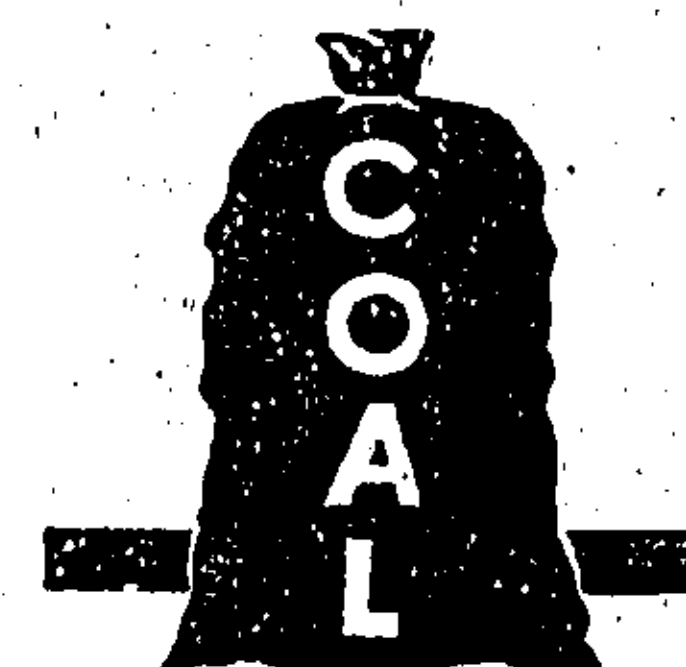
SHANGHAI, May 12. The North China Daily News declares that Wang Chung Hui has resigned from the Presidency of the Judicial Yuan on the grounds that it is impossible for him to work in harmony with Nanking officials. Dr. Wang says that there was too much disagreement, with the result that nothing was ever achieved. Therefore it is better for him to resign and resume his place as Permanent Judge of the International Court of Justice at The Hague.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	RUPEE, May 12.
Paris	124.31
New York	4.86 11/32
Brussels	34.03
Geneva	33.23
Amsterdam	12.10
Milan	92.01
Berlin	20.41
Stockholm	15.14
Copenhagen	15.16
Oslo	15.16
Vienna	34.50
Prague	16.41
Helsingfors	16.37
Madrid	48.75
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Rio	37/32
Buenos Aires	34.11/16
Montevideo	312
Bombay	1/13 13/16
Shanghai	1/3
Hong Kong	118
Yokohama	2/ 13/32
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Sports News

COUNTY CRICKET MATCH RESULTS.

SUSSEX SCORE FINE WIN OVER CHAMPION COUNTY.

NINE CENTURIES RECORDED: FINE FEATS OF BOWLING.

NEW ZEALANDERS DRAW WITH LEICESTER.

Sussex caused a mild sensation in cricket circles in England by defeating Lancashire, last year's champion county by four wickets when they met at Manchester. A feature of this match was the fine bowling of Maurice Tate, who took 7 wickets for 31 runs in the Red Rose County's second innings.

Nine centuries were recorded, Hearnne of Middlesex claiming two, while Page, who is a member of the New Zealand team, made one against Leicester.

Results at a glance were:—

County Championship.

Yorkshire beat Essex by an innings and 8 runs.
Sussex beat Lancashire by four wickets.
Middlesex beat Glamorgan by 135 runs.
Somerset defeated Warwickshire by 40 runs.
Derby won on the first innings v. Surrey.
Worcester gained first innings points v. Northants.

Friendly Games.

Kent defeated Oxford University by ten wickets.
Leicester v. New Zealand.—Drawn.

Batting.

Hearnne (Middlesex) 104 and 101.
Lee (Middlesex) 107.
Parsons (Warwick) 103.
Bowler (Sussex) 103.
Hone (Oxford U.) 103.
Page (N.Z.) 103.
Alderman (Derby) 103.
Fender (Surrey) 103.
Greenwood (York) 97.

CHAMPION COUNTY DEFEATED.

Playing at Manchester, Sussex beat last year's champions by four wickets. The game was not productive of very bright cricket, though play was interesting throughout.

Lancashire first and put on 252 runs and when Sussex went in they passed their opponents' total by 10 runs. In their second knock, Lancashire found Maurice Tate in fine fettle with the ball, the Sussex and England all-rounder taking 7 wickets for 31 runs. Sussex then went in for their second innings, and although things did not go too brightly with them for a start, they eventually wiped off the deficit with four wickets in hand.

The scores were:—

Lancashire, 1st innings 252.
Sussex, 1st innings 208.
Bowler, 103.
Lancashire, 2nd innings 153.
Tate, 7 for 31.
Sussex, 2nd innings (total for 6 wickets) 120.

MIDDLESEX v. GLAMORGAN.

Hearnne and Peables in fine form.

Playing at Lords, Middlesex beat Glamorgan by the comfortable margin of 135 runs.

A feature of this game was the delightful batting of Hearnne, who had the distinction of passing the century mark in both innings, being undefeated in the second.

This match also saw Ian Peables in fine form with the ball, taking 11 wickets in all for 130 runs.

Middlesex batted first and with Hearnne (104) and Lee (107) scoring freely, compiled 337 runs, Clay 7 wickets for 90 runs.

Glamorgan went in to find Peables in excellent form and with this young amateur taking 7 wickets for 58 runs, they were all out for 176.

Hearnne was again very much in prominence in the second innings, this time being undefeated for 101 runs.

Glamorgan fared better in their second innings but their first innings arrears proved too much for them and their last wicket fell when they still wanted another 130 runs for victory. Peables (4 for 72) again doing the damage.

The scores were:—

Middlesex, 1st innings 337.
Lee, 107.
Hearnne, 104.
Clay, 7 for 90.
Glamorgan, 1st innings 176.
Peables, 4 for 58.
Middlesex, 2nd innings (2 wickets, declared) 202.
Hearnne, 101 not out.
Glamorgan, 2nd innings 238.
Peables, 4 for 72.

WARWICK v. SOMERSET.

The Somerset-Warwick match at Birmingham resulted in a win for the former, and although Parsons of the latter county made a century

The scores were:—
Surrey, 1st innings 184.
Derby, 1st innings 307.
Surrey, 2nd innings (7 wickets, declared) 389.
Fender, 100 not out.
Peach, 93.
Derby, 2nd innings (1 wkt.) 127.

ESSEX v. YORKSHIRE.

WIN FOR THE WHITE ROSES.

At Layton, Yorkshire beat Essex by an innings and eight runs.

Essex batted first but put up a sorry exhibition, the side being retired for only 100 runs.

In reply to this, Yorkshire knocked up 329 runs for the loss of 8 wickets (declared). Greenwood being top-scorer with 97 runs. Going in for the second time, Essex again failed though this time they compiled 215 runs, leaving Yorkshire winner as above stated. For the winners, Verity took 7 wickets for exactly eleven runs apiece.

The scores were:—

Essex, 1st innings 100.
Yorkshire, 1st innings (8 wickets, declared) 329.
Greenwood, 97.
Essex, 2nd innings 215.
Verity, 7 for 77.

LEICESTER v. NEW ZEALANDERS.

HIGH SCORING BY VISITORS.

The New Zealanders made their appearance at Leicester where they treated the spectators to some bright cricket. They batted first and with Page (103 not out) and Dempster (92) batting enterprisingly, totalled 434 for 8 wickets (declared).

Leicester only made 277 in reply to this total as a result of which they were forced to follow on. Cromb took five wickets for 62 runs. In their second knock, the county made something of a recovery and put on 273 for 6 declared.

The visitors then went for the runs and lost 7 wickets cheaply. Snary getting 5 for 30.

The scores were:—

New Zealanders, 1st innings (8 wickets, declared) 434.
Page, 103, not out.
Dempster, 92.
Leicester, 1st innings 277.
Cromb, 5 for 62.
2nd innings (follow on: 6 wickets, declared) 273.
New Zealanders, 2nd innings (for 7 wickets) 200.
Snary, 5 for 30.

OXFORD v. KENT.

DARK BLUES BADLY BEATEN.

Making the journey to Oxford, Kent beat the University by 10 wickets.

The Dark Blues batted first and Hone distinguished himself by scoring a century, helping the side to total 287 runs. Tich Freeman bowled excellently to return the analysis of 8 for 90.

In reply to this total, the Hop County knocked up 486 for 6 wickets (declared). Ashdown (93), Woolley (95) and Todd (92) being the chief contributors.

Oxford put on 280 runs in their second effort, Freeman again being the most successful bowler for the county with 5 for 85.

Going in for the second time, Kent knocked off the required runs with all ten wickets intact.

The scores were:—
Oxford, 1st innings 297.
Hone, 105.
Freeman, 8 for 90.
Kent, 1st innings (9 wickets, declared) 486.
Ashdown, 93.
Woolley, 95.
Todd, 92.
Oxford, 2nd innings 280.
Freeman, 5 for 85.
Kent, 2nd innings (for no wickets) 92.

DERBYSHIRE'S NEW CAPTAIN.

Derbyshire are a good side. G. R. Jackson has done much for them during the last nine years, and the news of his retirement from the captaincy of the eleven has been received with the greatest regret. He was a fine captain who knew the value of discipline, and an attractive left-handed batsman; and the presentation made to him recently at the annual general meeting was but fitting reward for all his fine and unselfish work. He is succeeded by A. W. Richardson, an old Wykehamist.

The Cricket Nursery seems to be turning out well, for Smith, a sound left-handed batsman, who promises to become an excellent batsman, was in the first team last season, and Armstrong, a left-handed bowler from Clay Cross, shows ability. Storer, Slater, Townsend and

winners on the first innings.

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U.S. BASEBALL.

BOTH THE LEADERSHIPS RETAINED.

ST. LOUIS TEAMS UP AND DOWN.

New York, May 7.—With only two games played in each of the major leagues, to-day, the leadership remained unchanged, as at St. Louis the Cleveland Indians lost to the Browns by 10 to 4, and at Forbes Field in Pittsburgh the St. Louis Cardinals sunk the Pirates by 11 to 6.

Playing in Detroit, the Tigers triumphed over the Chicago White Sox by 6 to 1, and at Chicago the Cubs needed eleven innings to nose out the Cincinnati Reds by 5 to 4. Again at Philadelphia made it impossible for the Phillies and the Brooklyn Dodgers to play. No other games had been arranged.

The Reds had every chance to win until the eighth inning, when the Cubs launched their bingles, to come up from behind and tie the score at four-all. The deadlock continued until the eleventh frame, when the Cubs put over the winning tally.

At Meillo, of the Browns, was the major factor in the defeat of the Indians. He pounded out four hits and scored three runs. In the sixth inning, the Browns engaged in a slug-fest, which netted seven hits and a big lead over the Indians, who were hitting freely but were failing to bunch their bingles.

Sorrel, pitching for the Tigers, fanned five of the White Sox, helping his club to victory. Owen, of the Tigers, made the only home run of the day.

Following are the scores:—

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	9	0
Detroit	6	13	1
Cleveland	4	13	3
St. Louis	10	17	1

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	11	15	2
Pittsburgh	5	7	2
Cincinnati	4	8	0
Chicago	5	14	4

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	12	3	.812
New York	12	6	.666
Chicago	11	6	.647
Boston	11	8	.578
Pittsburgh	9	11	.450
Philadelphia	7	10	.411
Brooklyn	6	13	.315
Cincinnati	2	16	.111

Following are the standings in the major leagues:—

ADAMSON CUP.

RESULTS IN MAY QUALIFYING COMPETITION.

The following are the results in the Adamson Cup (May Qualifying Competition):—
A. E. Clarke 79—14=65, qualifies.
Other scores were:—
A. G. Urrall 85—14=69.
I. H. Gelling 90—17=73.

Worthington can both bat and bowl, and Mitchell is highly thought of by many good judges. Some critics think him the best leg-break bowler in the country. Mitchell is not a goosie bowler, but he bowls both the off-break and the leg-break, the latter at a good pace. In 1929 he obtained 103 wickets, and last season 133 at 18.30 runs each. Unfortunately he is a poor bat, and his fielding cannot be described as good. With a large number of all-round players and several promising youngsters the future of Derbyshire cricket appears to be excellent.

GLAMORGAN.

Glamorgan are looking forward to a fairly good season. All last year's players are available and M. J. Turnbull will again captain the side on which he had so inspiring an effect in his first year of captaincy. Dyaon should make lots of runs, and Howard is, possibly, the best batsman in the county. Ryan, on a wicket to help him, is a fine left-handed bowler, and Mercer takes his 100 wickets a year after year. The "hot" fight which the eleven made with the Australians last August, has had a stimulating effect on the game generally throughout the county.

EVOLUTION OF BRIDGE.

CONTRACT v. AUCTION.

At the present time there are two questions of paramount importance to bridge players throughout the country. The first question is whether to play contract or auction. The second concerns only those who have decided in favour of contract, and is whether to play some form of the club convention (for there are various forms of it), or to employ the forcing convention. For the moment we will concern ourselves only with the first question, and return to the other one on another occasion.

A brief survey of the history of Bridge will not be out of place. The founder of the dynasty, and I use that word deliberately, since Bridge is the king of card games, was whist, which flourished for many years, until, strangled by the multiplicity of its conventions, it died the death and made way for Bridge, which in its first form had no prenom, and differed from whist in that the dealer or his partner declared trumps, and the latter became dummy. The scoring also was changed. This game was followed by auction bridge, in which the values of the suits were 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, then by Royal Auction Bridge, in which the tricks values became as they are to-day, and which dropped the word royal when its predecessor was forgotten.

The "Rabbits" Chance.

Thus that inevitable law of nature, evolution, has been performing its steady work, and who can doubt that it will continue to do so, and that contract, the youngest member of the dynasty, will reign undisputed until in due course it begets an offspring to supplant it.

Each successive stage of the game has compared favourably with its predecessor in the same way, in that it has grafted on to the old stem some innovation, which has made it more amusing to play, and at the same time, strangely enough has given the weaker players, or rabbits, a better chance, not to hold their own, but to lose less.

In fancy, one can hear exclamations of "But surely that does not apply to Contract, which is such a difficult game!" Contract is not a difficult game; it is only necessary to absorb a few guiding principles of bidding, to find it really quite simple. The reference here to that half of the game comprised by the bidding only, and not to the play of the hand, the difficulties of which are common to both Auction and Contract, and give both games their great charm of infinite variety.

Even the finest players are confronted with problems in the play of the hand, and from the days of Cavendish onwards countless books have been written for the education therein of the student, but few people become really good players of the cards otherwise than from natural talent and a capacity to learn from their own mistakes—and what a thrill one feels on those rare occasions when one is conscious of having excelled oneself and brought off what one flatters oneself is a brilliant coup; only to be equalled, by riding a winner or hitting a goal at polo.

Best Way to Learn.

But with the bidding, it is quite a different story. Contract is essentially a game of combination, and consequently it is essential for players to be able to interpret the meaning of their partners' bids, which can only be done by their adopting some common system of bidding. There are two main systems, the English and the American; and there are two main ways of learning them, by reading them up, which is very quick and very cheap, or from your partner's criticism—kindly, it is to be hoped—but this second way of learning may be both long and costly.

To all Bridge players who have not yet taken to Contract there are three sound reasons for doing so. Firstly, it is much more interesting and amusing, as is proved by the fact that no one who has given it a fair trial would dream of going back to Auction. Secondly the poorer players will not lose so much, except when two rabbits are opposed to two experts, because it is a game of combination, in which one good player playing with three rabbits cannot take charge to the same extent as he can at Auction. Thirdly, because in course of time you will be forced into it, since you cannot stay the march of progress. Capt. Lindsay Monday in the Daily Telegraph.

ENGLAND'S TENNIS HOPE.

REVOLUTIONARY STYLE OF NEW STAR.

F. PERRY'S GENIUS.

England has a new lawn tennis hope in Mr. Fred Perry, a Middlesex player of 21, and the son of the Socialist M.P. for Kettering, according to the tennis correspondent of the Daily Telegraph.

After he has had a little more experience of first-class tennis I believe he and H. W. Austin, under sympathetic leadership, will prove equal to winning back the Davis Cup for England.

Perry promises to revolutionise the game as it has been played in England by exploiting on the courts strokes of which he became master as a former world ping-pong champion.

Packed galleries at the Queen's Club saw lawn tennis produced by Perry with a speed of foot and hand which was almost entirely novel to many eyes, and which, at its inspired periods, was more advanced and perhaps more daring than the modern art of Henri Cochet. To say that Perry in full cry made Tilden's type of game, with all its vigour and control, appear almost dull and stereotyped by comparison is no exaggeration.

Lightning Thrusts.

The novelty about Perry was that he had an utter contempt for defensive tactics. Indeed, when he attempted to pursue them, he was completely out of his element. In attack he was bewildering, only failing to gather the fruits of his genius because the type of surface on which he was playing—a court

which the traffic of feet must naturally ruffle—did not always provide a bond in sympathy with his methods.

Perry hits the ball so near the ground that drives have the same time-saving virtue as half-volleys. The volleyer, following behind these lightning thrusts, often finds they have done their work before he reaches the net. Table tennis is based on the principle of repercussion. Supply in limb, strong in stamina, and buoyant in spirit, Perry has just those physical attributes which fit him to be a pioneer on the lawn tennis court.

Austin Worried.

Austin, who was meeting Perry in the final of the invitation singles, was worried by the unexpected quickness of his opponent's strokes. That Austin was able to win the match in the end by three sets to two with a score of 3-6, 4-8, 8-6, 6-1, 7-5, must be ascribed to good fortune and the courage with which he seized his chances at the crisis of the third and fifth sets, in both of which Perry held a 5-2 lead. Perry's finest shot—his close-to-the-ground forehand service return—deserted him just when its loyalty would have carried him home.

To sum up, Perry's type of game, given a surface without depression or rain to impair its accuracy, is in my opinion, calculated to revolutionise lawn tennis. Its forehand brilliancy is undeniable, and it does not suffer on the backhand from the Californian hold—which many young Americans adopt.

Perry first came into notice as a Middlesex junior. He joined the Chiswick Park Club, winning the Middlesex championship on its courts last year. At Wimbledon soon afterwards he defeated Baron H. L. de Morpurgo, the Italian Davis Cup captain and reached the last sixteen.



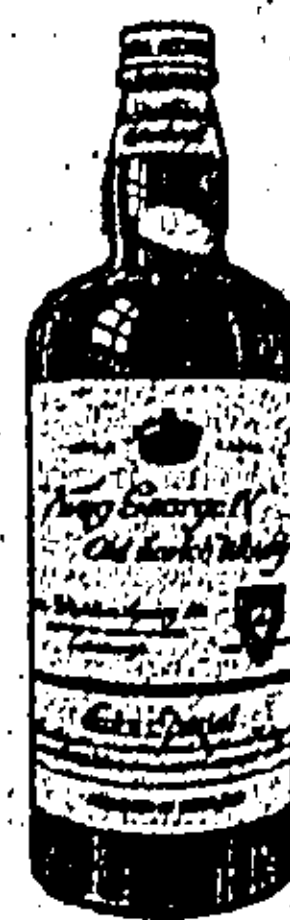
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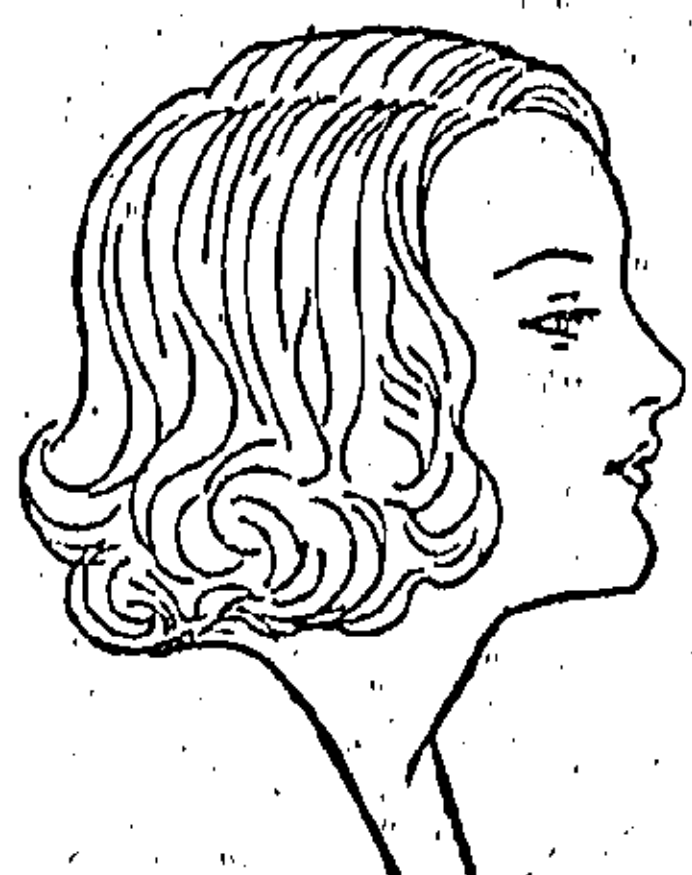


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LONDON DOCTOR ARRESTED.

POLICE APPLY FOR A SEARCH WARRANT.

A HIGHLAND OUTFIT.

Dr. Horatio Water James Steen, 35, of Elizabeth-street, Eaton-square, S.W., was charged, at Westminster Police-court with obtaining a Highland outfit, valued at £25 4s., by false pretences from MacDougall and Co. Ltd., of Sackville-street, W., in December last.

Det. Sergt. Cammon, giving evidence of arrest, said that at midday, with Mr. Batten, of the prosecutors' firm, he went to the doctor's consulting-room and said to the accused, "I have a warrant here for a man for obtaining a Highland outfit by false pretences." Witness read the warrant, and accused replied: "It is not me."

He (witness) said: "It is alleged that you, in the name of Col. Williams, of Warwick-square obtained this outfit." Accused answered, "There must be some mistake. I have never been to MacDougall's." He said that he had an outfit, and witness asked to see it. Defendant, saying it was in a room upstairs, went in that direction, and then remarked, "Wait a moment. You are not going to ransack my place if you have no authority to search? How do you connect me with the offence?" Witness explained that Mr. Batten had identified him as the man who ordered the goods.

"It Will Ruin Me."

Accused then asked to see the warrant, read it, and said, "Can not I pay the money to MacDougall's and settle the matter without going to the police-court? It will ruin me. I am a member of the council and a professional man." The doctor called his wife, and again witness asked, "May I see your Highland outfit—may I see your wardrobe?" Accused said, "You will do no such thing. You have no right to force your way anywhere."

He asked his wife to get the Highland outfit, and she did so. He requested to see Mr. Batten in order to ask him to take the money. The officer added that he was applying for a search warrant, as he had reasons for believing there was property at defendant's house which might be the subject of further charges.

Accused said that he wanted to make it clear that he said from the beginning that he wanted to see MacDougall's representative in order to pay. "The whole thing is unknown to me; I do not know the details of this at all," he added.

The magistrate remanded accused until Friday, when he was to appear for a search warrant, he said that if it was required for matters apart from the present charge, he must have grounds for it.

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET CO.

SIX MONTHS' MORATORIUM SANCTIONED.

JUDGE'S HINT OF MORE DRASTIC SCHEME.

Subject to certain undertakings, Mr. Justice Maugham, in the Chancery Division, approved a scheme of arrangement, in the nature of a moratorium for six months, for which the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co. Ltd. sought the sanction of the court.

Mr. Wilfrid Greene, K.C., for the company, stated that the scheme would affect three classes of creditors—the First Debenture stockholders, the trustees for whom were Viscount St. Davids and the Prudential Assurance Company, the Second Debenture stockholders, the trustees for whom were the Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Company and the Law Union and Rock Insurance Company, and the Preference shareholders of the White Star Line Ltd.

There were interested in the position of the company both the Treasury, who had guaranteed advances to the Royal Mail group under the Trades Facilities Act, and certain banks who made the advances, and were otherwise interested as creditors.

Mr. Greene added that the Treasury, the Government of Northern Ireland, and the banks were granting at present what might be described as an informal moratorium in respect of certain liabilities of companies in the Royal Mail group. It was to the best interests of all concerned that a scheme should be evolved to keep these large and important lines as going concerns, and to preserve among other things what must be a very valuable goodwill.

£3,000,000 Written Off.

The value of the Royal Mail fleet was £3,375,234, and the investments in subsidiary companies amounted to £3,965,000, making a total of over £9,000,000, which had been written down to £6,000,000. It was not very optimistic to feel that the First Debenture stockholders would receive, if there were a break up the value of their Debentures.

The Second Debenture stock was not in such a favourable position, and it was impossible to predict confidently whether the holders would receive in full the amount of their Debentures. The Preference shareholders in the White Star were in a less favourable position still, and quite apart from the position of the Royal Mail balance-sheet their position was dependent on that of the White Star itself, which, again, was dependent on the position of the Oceanic.

The Oceanic at present were, so to speak, at the mercy of the Treasury and the banks who had made large advances. That again reacted on the White Star, and the interests of all three classes would, he submitted, be best served if a scheme was given to the present scheme, which asked merely for a breathing space of six months—more than three of which had already expired—with a view to seeing whether it was possible to effect a scheme which would save their concern and put it on a more financially sound basis.

One could see that it would involve a very radical scheme.

Criticism of Scheme.

Mr. Greene stated that Mr. Horace Barnett Samuel, who held 1,000 Preference shares in the White Star Co., had put in an elaborate affidavit in which he criticised the scheme on two broad lines. He said that the position regarding the White Star Co. was not satisfactory, because the company was controlled by the Royal Mail Co., which were debtors of the White Star Co., and that the control could be exercised in a prejudicial manner. It was complained that calls due from the Royal Mail to the White Star Co. had not been enforced, but if this were done the Debenture holders would be in a position to come in and the crash brought to be averted would become inevitable.

Mr. Lionel Cohen, K.C. (for Mr. Samuel) said that the complaint was that the Royal Mail had paid calls due to another company and not to the White Star.

After discussion, it was agreed that the Royal Mail Company should undertake that they would not, prior to the expiry of the moratorium, voluntarily pay bills

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CHINA UNDERWRITERS.

DEBIT BALANCE SHOWN.

The annual report of the Directors of China Underwriters, Ltd., states:

Marine, Fire and General Business.—After placing \$275,003 to reserve to meet unexpired Marine risks, \$55,713 to meet unexpired Fire risks and \$27,120 to meet unexpired Accident risks the Profit and Loss Account shows a debit balance of \$89,800, including the debit balance of \$90,284 brought forward from the previous year.

Life Assurance Business.—Life Assurance applications received during the year amounted to \$5,053,789. Life Policies were issued for \$4,044,047. At Annual Premiums of \$275,227 and applications for \$325,193 were declined. The remainder were postponed or in course of consideration at the end of the year. The Life Premium Income after deduction of Reinsurance amounts to \$835,432. The Life Assurance Fund increased from \$101,575 to \$319,948.

In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. Allan Cameron and Li Tso Fong retire from the Board of Directors, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Since the last meeting Messrs. C. P. Marcel and Tsang Foo resigned from the Board, and Mr. H. R. Sturt was appointed an additional Director by the Board. In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr. H. R. Sturt also retires, and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The accounts for the year have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Chartered Accountants, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, Incorporated Accountants, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

COPPER MINES CLOSED.

RESULT OF LOW PRICES PREVAILING.

Jerome, Arizona, May 7.—Officials of the United Verde Copper Company, one of the largest in the United States, announced here today that they will discontinue production, effective May 21.

The decision to close the United Verde Copper mines is the result of the low prices now prevailing for the red metal in the world markets.

amounting to £195,000, certain sums due to subsidiary and allied companies amounting to £239,000, certain calls and contingent liabilities, and that the borrowing powers of the company should not be exercised beyond the £250,000 provided for by the scheme.

Subject to these undertakings, Mr. Justice Maugham approved the scheme.

Avoiding Forced Sale.

His lordship said that the present scheme was of a very limited character, and that the persons interested in this vast concern must be prepared for a scheme of a far more drastic nature. The present plan provided in effect that the Debenture stockholders were not to take proceedings to enforce their security prior to June 30, 1931.

The scheme, which had been approved by the three classes of creditors, also provided, that, so long as no execution was levied against the assets of the company, the shareholders of the White Star Company should not enforce their guarantees. Lord St. Davids did not see eye to eye with his co-trustees, the Prudential Company, who, subject to the undertakings given, approved the scheme. Lord St. Davids did not now actively oppose the scheme, but intimated that, in his opinion, it was not in the interests of the First Debenture stockholders.

His lordship said that nobody could have sat in the winding-up court during the last eighteen months or two years and dealt with the affairs of shipping companies without being well aware that the estimated value of a steamship, even if a new one, bore little relation to the figure it would realise at a forced sale.

Balance-sheets of approximate balance-sheets threw very little light on the position the company would be in if a receiver were appointed, and it was necessary to realise the assets. It was for reasons of this kind that he thought that the persons interested in this company were well advised in not taking steps which might well result in a forced sale of the assets.

£65,000 FRAUD CHARGES.

RESEARCH CHIEF IN THE DOCK.

£1,000-A-YEAR SALARY.

When Bryndr James Owen, 33, engineer, Upper Brook-street, W., was charged on remand at Bow-street Police-court with forging and uttering a letter purporting to be signed by Mr. L. L. H. Thompson, an official of the Treasury, it was alleged that he had obtained £65,000 from two companies.

Mr. E. Clayton, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said that Owen had been further charged with forging and uttering a number of documents in connection with the obtaining of £30,000 from the International Harvesting Company of Great Britain, Ltd.

It was proposed also to prefer similar charges in respect of the Ford Motor Company, from whom Owen was alleged to have obtained £25,000.

For some time until 1924 Owen was employed at the Ministry of Agriculture. In that year he was appointed Director of the Institute of Agricultural Engineering and Research at Oxford, at a salary of about £1,000 a year. In the early part of last year he got into communication with the International Harvester Co. of Great Britain.

100,000 Tractors.

This was an English company controlled by a parent company in America. Owen told Mr. Neal, the managing director of the company, of a big Government Empire development scheme for supplying tractors all over the world.

The number mentioned was in the neighbourhood of 100,000, and the cost between £20,000,000 and £25,000,000. Owen said that the Institute was in rather a bad way financially, and asked Mr. Neal if his company would be in a position to advance money in connection with the scheme.

Accused pretended, it was alleged, that this proposed scheme was before the Imperial Conference of 1930, and a sub-committee of the Conference appointed Owen to nominate the firm to supply the tractors.

Owen subsequently produced to the International Harvester Co. letters purporting to show that they had been so nominated, and on the strength of these the company were induced to part with £23,000 in four cheques.

The cheques were paid into the Institute's account, and next day the whole of the money was transferred to Owen's private account at the Piccadilly branch of Barclay's Bank and used by him for his own purposes. There was, in fact, no such scheme before the Imperial Conference. The British Government had never suggested ordering tractors, and the International Harvester Co. had never been appointed to supply any.

In the other case, Mr. Clayton added, Owen went to the Ford Motor Co. and told them a similar story. He showed a number of letters to the company, who were induced to advance £25,000. The money was paid into the Institute's account, and next day was transferred to Owen's private account and used by him for his own purposes.

Visit to Agricultural Show.

Mr. Arthur Neal, managing director of the International Harvester Co., giving evidence, said that Owen, whom he knew, first mentioned this matter to him at the Royal Agricultural Society's Show at Manchester in July, 1930. Owen then introduced two men to him.

In September following Owen again met him at an hotel in London and spoke to him of a big Government scheme for providing machinery for Empire development. The scheme, he said, would involve large purchases of agricultural machinery. He also said that he had been appointed to make a report to a committee of the Imperial Conference.

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Witness went to America to arrange for the contract. Owen had promised to go with him, but later said it would be necessary to defer his departure for a week; and in fact he had never sailed. On witness's return Owen showed him two letters, apparently written on official note-paper. One was signed "H. Brittain" and another "L. H. Thompson."

Sir Chartres Biron (the magistrate): You say the signature is not genuine?

Mr. Clayton: The whole thing is a fraud.

Treasury Official's Evidence. Mr. Lionel Louis Harry Thompson, a principal on the staff of the Treasury, gave evidence that the letter forming the subject of the original charge was not signed by him. He said he had no knowledge of the contents, and did not know Owen. Mr. Thompson added that since June 12, 1929, he had been away from the Treasury, acting as private secretary to the Chief Whip.

Mr. Percival Fitzgerald Pyle, chief clerk in the Treasury, said that he had searched the files and could not find a letter addressed to Owen between July, 1930, and January, 1931.

Mr. Geoffrey George Barnes, a principal at the Treasury, said that there was no Government scheme for the purchase of agricultural implements arising out of the 1930 Imperial Conference.

The hearing was again adjourned. No application was made for bail.

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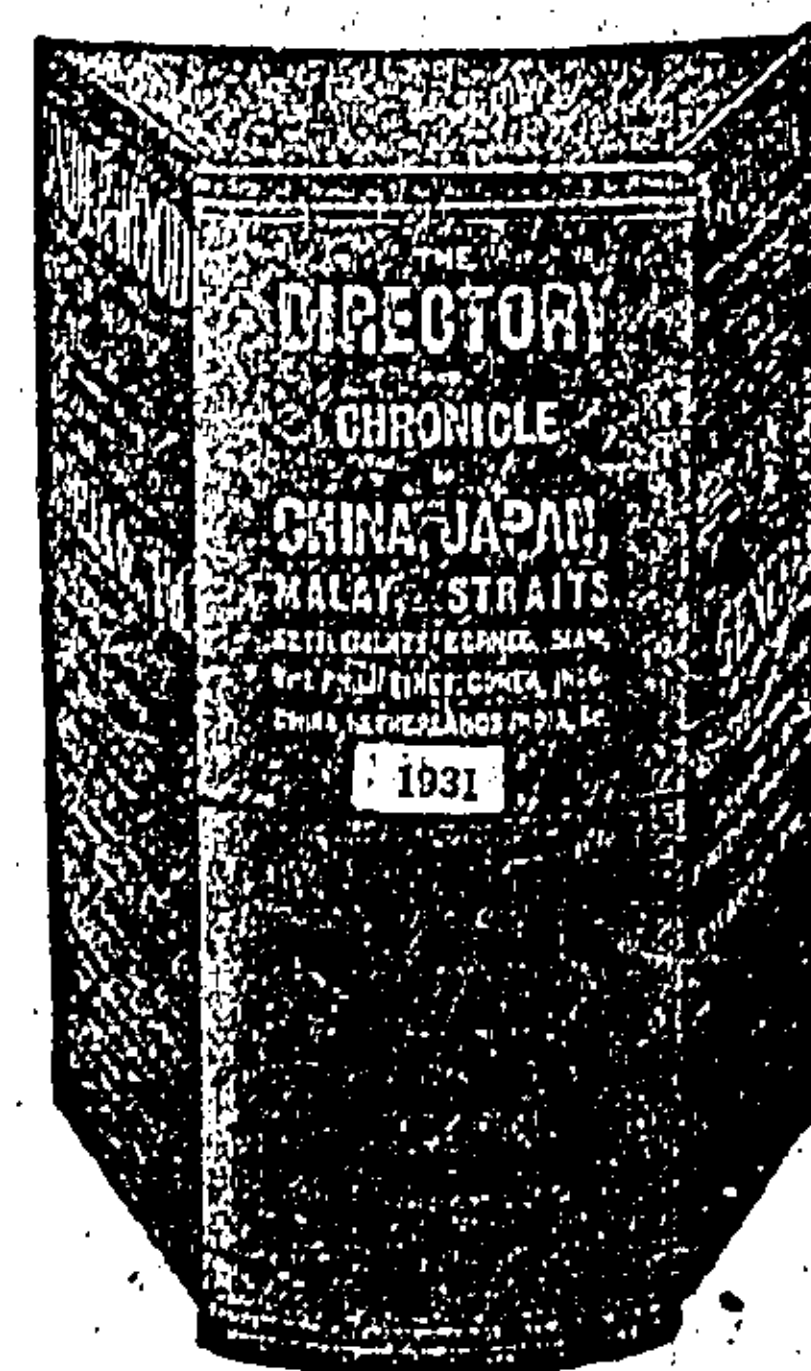
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Alipore due from Japan May 20.
Asaka Maru due from Japan May 22.
Asuka Maru due here May 23.
Atsuta Maru due from Australia May 10.
Bengal Maru due here May 23.
Burdwan due from Japan May 30.
Calchas due from North ports May 20.
Changto due from Australia June 12.
City of Batavia due from Europe May 27.
Comorin due from Japan May 22.
Cracovia due from Shanghai May 10.
Derfflinger due from Europe June 1.
Diomed due from Europe May 17.
Duisburg due from Japan May 23.
Durban Maru due here May 24.
Elpenor due from Japan May 20.
Emp. of Asia due from Vancouver May 27.
Emp. of Japan due from Shanghai May 10.
Ginyo Maru due here June 11.
Glenshane due from Europe May 24.
Hakusan Maru due from Shanghai May 15.
Haruna Maru due here May 29.
Heian Maru due here May 29.
Hiye Maru due from Japan May 24.
Kaga Maru due here June 10.
Kashgar due from Europe June 4.
Kashima Maru due from Straits May 16.
Katori Maru due here June 12.
Kitano Maru due here May 22.
Kuma Maru due here May 24.
Kutsang due from Straits May 16.
Lahn due from Europe May 14.
Malacca Maru due here May 20.
Meriones due from Europe May 22.
Morioka Maru due here May 10.
Oder due from Europe June 12.
Patriot due from Europe May 30.
Peking Maru due here June 7.
Pres. Hayes due from Shanghai May 16.

Pres. Madison due from Manila May 19.
Pres. Pierce due from Shanghai May 18.
Pres. Taft due from Japan May 22.
Rakuyo Maru due here May 19.
Rames due from Europe June 7.
Rangoon Maru due here May 14.
Ranpura due from Europe May 21.
Santia due from Calcutta May 23.
Sauerland due from Europe May 21.
Shinyo Maru due here June 12.
Sirdhana arrived from Japan May 11.
St. Albans due from Australia June 3.
Taiyo Maru due here June 7.
Takaoka Maru due here June 12.
Tama due from Calcutta June 2.
Tango Maru due here May 29.
Tjilivong due from Sundakan May 18.
Tjinegara arrived from Java May 12.
Tokio Maru due here May 26.
Toyooka Maru due here May 15.
Trave due from Japan May 23.
Trier due from North ports May 30.
Wakasa Maru due here May 19.
Yasukuni Maru due here May 10.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 9 a.m., left the same day at 5.30 p.m., is due at Hong Kong tomorrow at 11 a.m., and leave for Manila the same day at 7 p.m.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 14 to 20, 1931.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
Day of Week.	Time.	Day of Week.	Time.
Thurs. 14	03:08	Thurs. 14	05:55
Fri. 15	02:23	Fri. 15	06:47
Sat. 16	01:40	Sat. 16	07:41
Sun. 17	01:00	Sun. 17	08:36
Mon. 18	00:22	Mon. 18	09:32
Tues. 19	00:46	Tues. 19	10:29
Wed. 20	01:12	Wed. 20	11:27
Thurs. 21	01:40	Thurs. 21	12:26

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

AMOI.

Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., May 14.
Haiyang, Douglas, May 15.
Antung, B. & S., May 17.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 17.
Taiyuan, B. & S., May 20.
Santia, B.I., May 22.
Tjiosondari, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Yuensang, Jardine's, May 31.
Taima, B.I., June 4.
Kumsang, Jardine's, June 18.
Takada, B.I., June 18.

ANTWERP.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Danmark, Manners, May 20.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taiping, B. & S., May 10.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Panda, B. & S., May 30.
Changto, B. & S., June 10.

BALTIC PORTS.

Danmark, Manners, May 20.

BALTIMORE.

Irishbank, Bank, June 9.

BANGKOK.

Chengtu, B. & S., May 10.
Kalgan, B. & S., May 17.

BARCELONA.

Trier, Melchers, May 30.

BELAWAN-DELL.

Van Heutsz, J.C.J.L., May 21.

BOMBAY.

Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Alipore, P. & O., May 20.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, June 3.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Ranpura, P. & O., June 20.

BOSTON.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 21.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Malayan Prince, Furness, June 2.
Irishbank, Bank, June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

BREMEN.

Trave, Melchers, May 23.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Lahn, Melchers, June 16.

BRINDISI.

Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, June 3.

CAIRO.

Sirdhana, B.I., May 14.
Rangoon Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Suisang, Jardine's, May 18.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., May 29.
Tilawa, B.I., May 30.
Kutsang, Jardine's, June 6.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., June 8.
Hosang, Jardine's, June 16.
Santia, B.I., June 18.

CASABLANCA.

Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., May 17.
Huichow, B. & S., May 28.

COLOMBO.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Alipore, P. & O., May 20.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Sphinx, M.M., May 26.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, May 30.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, June 3.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 7.
Porthos, M.M., June 9.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

COPENHAGEN.

Danmark, Manners, May 20.

DALNY.

Chenan, B. & S., May 18.
Patriot, B.F., May 30.

DUTCH PORTS.

City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 18.
Danmark, Manners, May 20.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, May 30.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Havelland, J.C.J.L., June 6.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 7.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 10.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Lahn, Melchers, June 16.

FOOCHOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, May 15.
Kueichow, B. & S., May 17.
Chipshing, Jardine's, May 24.
Huichow, B. & S., May 28.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, June 7.

GENOA.

Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Xank-ns, Gilman's, May 18.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Moncalieri, Dodwell's, June 3.
Havelland, J.C.J.L., June 6.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

GLASGOW.

Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Thesus, B.F., June 2.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 10.

GOTHENBURG.

Nanking, Gilman's, May 18.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., May 22.

HAMBURG.

City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 18.
Danmark, Manners, May 20.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Trave, Melchers, May 23.
Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, May 30.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Havelland, J.C.J.L., June 6.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 7.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 10.
Lahn, Melchers, June 16.

HAVANA.

Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

HAVRE.

City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Thesus, B.F., June 2.

HONGKAY.

Chengtu, B. & S., May 10.

HONOLULU.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 23.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Asaka Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 9.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., June 20.

HULL.

Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.

JAPAN PORTS.

Lahn, Melchers, May 14.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., May 19.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 10.
Diomed, B.F., May 17.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 17.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 21.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Malayan Prince, Furness, June 2.
Irishbank, Bank, June 9.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 21.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Malayan Prince, Furness, June 2.
Irishbank, Bank, June 9.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.

NEWCHWANG.

Chenan, B. & S., May 18.

KINGPO.

Chenan, B. & S., May 18.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.

Lahn, Melchers, May 14.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Patriot, B.F., May 30.
Derfflinger, Melchers, June 1.
Oder, Melchers, June 12.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

PAKHOL.

Kingyuan, B. & S., May 22.

PANAMA.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

JAVA PORTS.

Tjiosondari, J.C.J.L., May 10.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Tjioarang, J.C.J.L., June 2.
Tjioadak, J.C.J.L., June 9.

LIVERPOOL.

Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Elpenor, B.F., May 20.
Thesus, B.F., June 2.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.

LONDON.

City of Athens, Bank, May 16.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, May 17.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Trave, Melchers, May 23.
Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, May 30.
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Havelland, J.C.J.L., June 6.
Kashmir, P. & O., June 6.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 7.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 10.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Lahn, Melchers, June 16.
Ranpura, P. & O., June 20.

LOS ANGELES.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.
Asaka Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 9.

MANILA.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 15.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Nanking, Gilman's, May 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 19.
Taiping, B. & S., May 10.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 23.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., May 29.
Tanda, E. & A., May 30.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., June 2.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., June 2.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 9.
Tjioadak, J.C.J.L., June 9.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, June 14.
Changto, B. & S., June 10.

MARSEILLES.

Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Danmark, Manners, May 20.
Comorin, P. & O., May 23.
Trave, Melchers, May 23.
Calchas, B.F., May 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., May 30.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, May 30.
Trier, Melchers, May 30.
Havelland, J.C.J.L., June 6.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 7.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 10.
Lahn, Melchers, June 16.

SAIGON.

Sphinx, M.M., May 26.
Porthos, M.M., June 9.

SANDAKAN.

Mausang, Jardine's, May 27.
Hosang, Jardine's, June 5.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.
Asaka Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Nanking, Gilman's, May 18.
Danmark, Manners, May 20.
Sumatra, Gilman's, June 9.

SEATTLE.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Protosilus, B.F., May 23.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, May 31.
Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., June 2.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., June 14.

SHANGHAI.

Lahn, Melchers, May 14.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., May 14.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 18.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., May 19.
Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 10.
Diomed, B.F., May 17.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 17.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 17.
Shantung, B. & S., May 17.
Chenan, B. & S., May 18.
Suiyang, B. & S., May 18.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., May 20.
Foshing, Jardine's, May 20.
Taiyuan, B. & S., May 20.
Meriones, B.F., May 22.
Nagara, Gilman's, May 22.
Ranpura, P. & O., May 22.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 23.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., May 23.
Tjiosondari, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., May 24.
Glenshane, Jardine's, May 24.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., May 24.
Chenoncaux, M.M., May 25.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Sinking, B. & S., May 25.
Assama Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
City of Batavia, Bank, May 27.
Gange, Dodwell's, May 27.
Hosang, Jardine's, May 27.
Malaya, Manners, May 27.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.
Patriot, B.F., May 30.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Carignano, Dodwell's, June 1.
Derfflinger, Melchers, June 1.
Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., June 2.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., June 2.
Kashgar, P. & O., June 6.
St. Albans, E. & A., June 6.
Rames, J.C.J.L., June 7.
Athos, M.M., June 9.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 9.
Perim, P. & O., June 10.
Glenniffer, Jardine's, June 12.
Oder, Melchers, June 12.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., June 10.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., June 20.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Pres. Madison, A.M.L., May 16.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 17.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, May 18.
Siamese Prince, Furness, May 21.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Kuma Maru, N.Y.K., May 25.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 26.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, May 31.
Malayan Prince, Furness, June 2.
Irishbank, Bank, June 9.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, June 9.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
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herewith notified that if their Lighters are
not placed alongside the Vessel as
required, their Shipments will be dis-
charged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, at
their expense, where the Cargo will
lie also at their risk and expense and
subject to the Terms and Conditions of
Storage at Holt's Wharf. Vessel will
commence Discharge on 11th May.
General Cargo will be discharged into
Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie
at Consignees' risk and subject to the
Terms and Conditions of Storage at
Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready
for Delivery from the Godown on and
after 11th May.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on any Tuesdays and
Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m.
and Noon within the Free Storage period.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and
all General Cargo remaining undelivered
after 16th May will be subject to
Rent.
All Claims against the Vessel must be
presented to the Underwriter on or
before 30th May, or they will not be
recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
ROTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
11th May, 1931. [728]

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "PORTHOS"
ARRIVED HONG KONG ON
MONDAY, THE 11TH MAY, 1931.
FROM MARSEILLES, &c.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the
above-named Steamer are hereby
informed that their Goods with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Val-
ables are being landed and placed at
their risk in the Godowns of the Hong
Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery can
be obtained as the Goods are landed.
Goods not cleared within 7 days, in-
cluding date of arrival, will be subject to
Rent.
All Claims must be sent to the Under-
writer before Wednesday, the 20th May,
1931, or they will not be recognized.
Damaged Packages must be left in
the Godowns for examination by the
Consignees and the Company's Sur-
veyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at
10 a.m. on Monday, the 18th May,
1931.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.
R. OHL,
Agent.
Hong Kong, 11th May, 1931. [725]

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS,
LIMITED.

FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, LONDON
AND STRAITS.

The Steamer
"BENVANNOCH"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra Godowns of the Hong
Kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Ltd., whence, and/or
from the wharves Delivery may be
obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
14th instant will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 28th instant, or they will
not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 18th instant,
at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hong Kong, 7th May, 1931. [708]

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 13.							
Banks							
...	...	...	\$2,025	H.K. Banks	...	\$2,035	...
...	...	...	2108	Do. (London)	...	...	...
...	...	...	2131	Chartered Banks	...	...	...
...	...	...	2331	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	214	...
...	...	...	2121	Do. "C"	...	211	...
\$120	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	\$121	...
Insurance							
\$1,415	...	...	...	Canton Insurance	...	\$1,400	...
\$5.80	...	...	...	Underwriters	...	\$5.70	...
\$638	...	...	...	North China	...	...	...
\$400	...	...	...	Union Insurance	...	...	...
\$1,300	...	...	...	Yongtze Insurance	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Fire	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...
Shipping							
\$25	...	...	...	Douglas	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Steamboats	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shell Transport	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Water-boat (old)	...	...	...
Mining							
...	...	...	...	Benquet	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Venezuela Gold Flds.	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Kailash	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Langkate (comb.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (single)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Explorations	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Raubs	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tronoh Mines	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharfs	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Providents (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Docks	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	South China Motors	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	New Engineering	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	T. 282	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Lands, Hotels, and Buildings	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	H.K. Land	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Land	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Realty	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Humphreys (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Shin Cottons	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Zoong Sings	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Public Utilities	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tramways	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Park Trams (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Star Ferry	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Light	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Macao do	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Telephones (fully pd.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (part pd.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Buses	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tramways	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Industrials	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Sugars	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Malabar Sugars	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Caldbeck (ord.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Macgregors (pref.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Canton Leds	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Coments (comb.)	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ropes	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Der A. Wings	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Amusements (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Entertainment	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Constructions	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Macintosh	...	...	...
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Fatshan (By Train)	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.
Tai O	9.00 a.m.	9.00 a.m.	9.00 a.m.	9.00 a.m.
Tai Po	9.00 a.m. & 8.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 8.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 8.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 8.00 p.m.
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Cheung Chow	1.00 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	1.00 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	1.00 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	1.00 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.
Aberdeen	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.
Stanley	1.00 p.m.	1.00 p.m.	1.00 p.m.	1.00 p.m.
Amban, Pingtan, Sandin	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.
Shatin, Shatin, Shatin	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.	2.30 p.m.
Shum Chun	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
Saikong	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
Namtan, Shakti & Tai Ping	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
Fumun	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.

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FROM	FROM	DATE
CANADA, U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Vancouver, B.C., 25th Apr.)	Emp. of Japan	15th May
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Yokohama Maru	15th May
EUROPE via NEGAPATAM, Letters and Reports (London, 16th April)	Kulung	16th May
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	Swingang	16th May
M. N. I.	Pres. Madison	16th May
STRAITS	Kashima Maru	16th May
SHANGHAI	Cracovia	16th May
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN and SHANG- HAI (San Francisco, 17th April)	Pres. Hayes	16th May
STRAITS	Diamond	17th May
SANDALAN	Typhoon	18th May
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN and SHANG- HAI (San Francisco, 24th April)	Pres. Pierce	18th May
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	Asuta Maru	18th May
U.S.A., HONGKONG, JAPAN and SHANG- HAI (San Francisco, 30th April)	Asuta Maru	22nd May
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Omorin	22nd May
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Seattle, 2nd May)	Pres. Taft	22nd May
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (Seattle, 29th April)	Biye Maru	24th May

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FOR	FROM	DATE AND TIME
Port Bayard	Wing Wo	Thursday, 14th, 11.00 a.m.
Shanghai	Yokohama Maru	15th May, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Kulung	16th May, 3.00 p.m.
Shanghai	Pres. Madison	16th May, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and "EUROPE via Siberia"	Kashima Maru	16th May, 5.00 p.m.
Bangkok	Michael Jensen	16th May, 5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Prinyao	Friday, 15th, 1.00 p.m.
Tientsin	Shung Kong	15th May, 5.00 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Japan	16th May, 5.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Mar- seilles, 14th June	Hakusan Maru	Kowloon P.O. Reg. 4.30 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., and 8 America and "EUROPE via Vio- toria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 2nd June and "EUROPE via Siberia"	Pres. Madison	Parcels 3.00 p.m. Reg. 4.15 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Kashima Maru	3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	5.00 p.m.
Amoy	Kulung	5.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, and Egypt	Cracovia	5.30 p.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Kulung	Sunday, 17th, 9.00 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kashima Maru	9.00 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hakusan Maru	9.00 a.m.
Australia and New Zealand via Manila, and Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 30th May	Tai Ping	Monday, 18th, Parcels 5.00 p.m. Reg. 4.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang	Par. 18th, 5.00 p.m. Let. 18th, 5.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Has Ching	Tuesday, 19th, 1.00 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Kulung	5.00 p.m.
Japan	Asuta Maru	Wednesday, 20th,

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI	"CHENG TU"	On 16th May, 11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 17th May, 8 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 17th May, Noon
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEIHOH"	On 17th May, Noon
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 17th May, 2.30 p.m.
NINGPO, SHANGHAI, NINGBOHANG & DALNY	"CHENAN"	On 18th May, 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 19th May, Noon
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 20th May, 5 p.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 22nd May, 2 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 24th May, Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 26th May, Noon
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 28th May, Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KUNGCHOW"	On 31st May, 2 p.m.

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CHANGTE	11th Aug.	18th Aug.	21st Aug.	6th Sept.

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STATION	Hour Local Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	WIND VELOCITY	WIND		WIND (Beaufort)	Hour Local Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	WIND VELOCITY	WIND		WIND (Beaufort)	Hour Local Time						
		Inches	Millis.			Direction	Force (Knots)			Inches	Millis.			Direction	Force (Knots)								
Wladivostok...	12	...	...	...	...	SE	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	S	...	...	1						
Nomuro	11	30.20	767.0	...	...	WSW	1	...	5	30.26	768.5	...	...	N	...	1							
Hakodate	"	30.16	766.0	...	...	N	2	...	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	N	...	0							
Tokio	"	30.16	766.0	...	...	NNW	1	...	...	30.02	762.5	...	...	N	...	3							
Kochi	"	29.80	757.0	...	...	ENE	2	...	...	29.94	760.5	...	...	NNE	...	1							
Nagasaki	"	29.84	758.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	29.98	761.5	...	...	N	...	0							
Kagoshima	"	29.78	756.5	...	...	N	3	...	...	29.92	760.0	...	...	NNW	...	1							
Oshima	"	29.78	756.0	...	...	N	1	...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	N	...	2							
Naha	"	29.78	756.5	...	...	N	3	...	...	29.88	759.0	...	...	NNE	...	1							
Ishigukijima	"	29.84	758.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	S	...	3							
Bonin Island	"	29.98	761.0	...	...	SW	2	...	...	29.92	760.0	...	...	SE	...	0							
Chefoo	15	29.90	759.4	47	6	b	...	...	6	29.89	759.2	...	...	SE	2	2							
Shanghai	14	30.04	763.0	72	6	b	...	...	...	30.05	763.2	...	...	SE	2	1							
Gutzlaff	"	30.19	766.8	84	8	b	...	...	...	30.17	766.8	...	...	NNE	2	2							
Wenchow	"	30.02	762.6	85	8	b	...	...	...	30.08	763.9	...	...	N	2	0							
Foochow	"	29.95	761.0	85	8	ENE	4	...	...	29.99	761.7	...	...	N	2	0							
Amoy	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Swatow	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	E	...	...							
Taihou	11	29.84	760.4	70	...	E	2	...	5	29.95	760.8	...	...	E	...	2							
Taihu	"	29.84	757.9	72	...	N	2	...	...	29.88	758.8	...	...	E	...	0							
Tainan	"	29.88	757.7	85	...	NNE	2	...	...	29.86	758.8	...	...	E	...	2							
Koshun	"	29.83	757.6	77	...	...	0	...	...	29.89	759.3	...	...	NNE	...	0							
Pescadores	"	...	...	...	...	E	6	...	...	29.86	758.4	...	...	ENE	...	5							
Hong Kong	14	29.84	757.9	75	6	E	1	...	...	29.86	758.4	...	...	ENE	...	6							
Gap Rock	"	29.85	758.2	76	8	NNE	2	...	...	29.86	758.4	...	...	ESE	...	0							
Macao	"	29.83	757.6	76	4	NE	2	...	...	29.80	756.6	...	...	...	...	...							
Hoihow	"	...	...	...	...	NNW	5	...	6	29.85	759.2	...	...	NE	...	4							
Pratas Island...	"	29.80	757.0	79	6	S	2	...	...	29.81	757.8	...	...	ESE	...	2							
Phulien	10	29.81	757.2	86	8	S	2	...	7	29.80	757.0	...	...	WNW	...	2							
Tourane	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.88	758.8	...	...	...	...	0							
Cape St. James	"	...	...	...	...	W	2	...	...	29.84	757.9	...	...	NE	...	2							
Baco	14	29.78	756.8	85	8	NNW	4	...	6	29.84	758.0	...	...	S	...	0							
Aparri	"	29.74	755.8	91	4	b	...	...	...	29.84	758.0	...	...	...	...	2							
Tuguegarao	"	29.65	753.0	94	8	WSW	4	...	...	29.81	757.2	...	...	...	...	0							
Vigan	"	29.72	755.0	98	8	SSE	4	...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	...	...	0							
Manila	"	29.75	755.6	91	8	NE	4	...	...	29.83	757.6	...	...	...	...	0							
Legaspi	"	29.74	755.5	...	...	S	2	...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	N	...	2							
Calbayog	"	29.74	755.5	...	...	SW	2	...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	...	...	0							
Tacloban	"	29.74	755.3	98	8	E	4	...	...	29.83	757.6	...	...	NE	...	2							
Iloilo	"	29.74	755.3	88	8	NNE	4	...	...	29.83	757.0	...	...	...	...	0							
Cebu	"	29.74	755.3	88	8	ENE	4	...	...	29.84	757.8	...	...	...	...	0							
Surigao	"	29.74	755.5	88	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Saipan	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Guam	12.22	29.83	757.6	...	...	E	4	...	4.22	29.83	757.6	...	...	NE	4	4							
Yap	11.00	29.77	756.1	...	...	ENE	4	...	5	29.83	757.6	...	...	...	...	...							
Palau	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Labuan	14	29.82	757.4	81	1	SW	...	...	6	29.84	757.9	78	...	...	...	...							

May 13d. 10h. 20m.—A moderate anticyclone is central to the N.E. of Japan. A feeble depression lies over Indo-China. The depression between the Loochoos and the Bonins is shallower. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.40 inch. Total since January 1, 15.27 inches, against an average of 15.39 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MAY 14.

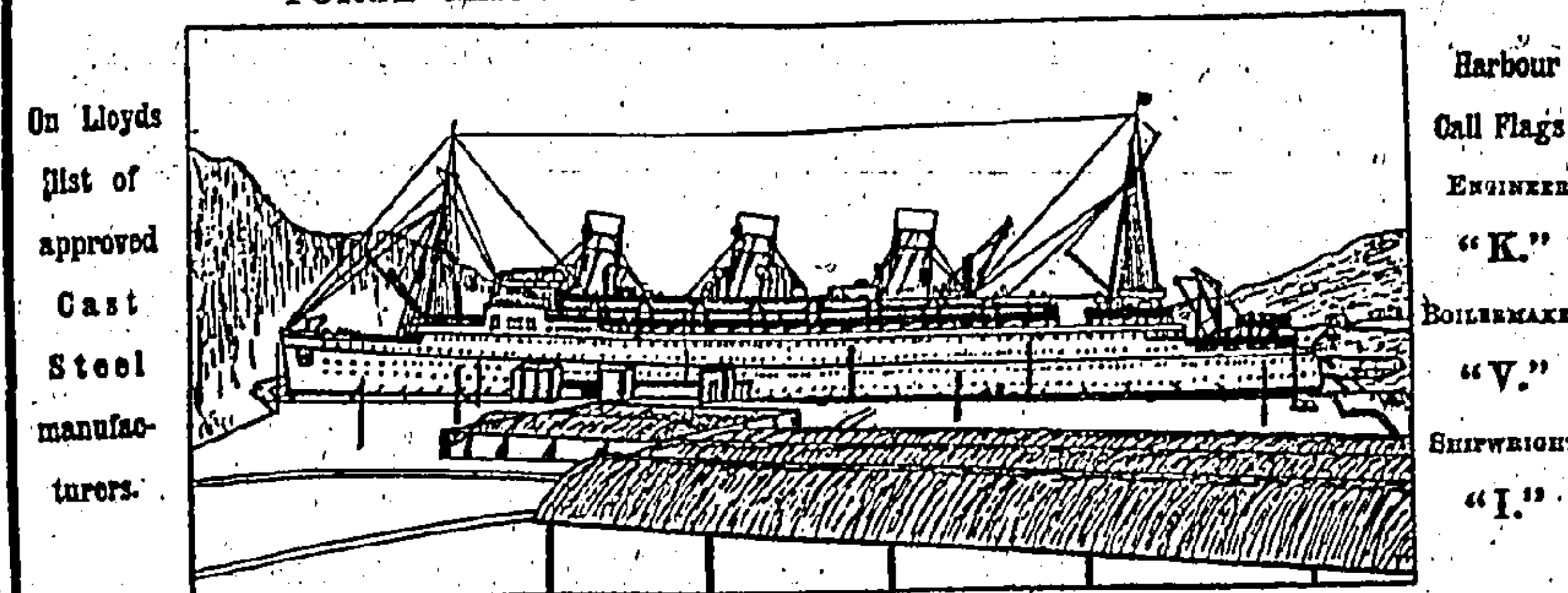
- 1.—Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; generally overcast, some rain.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Loochoos
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

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TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"HOFSANG" "FOOSHING" "KWAISANG" "HANGSANG"	Sun., 17th May, at 7 a.m. Wed., 20th May, at 7 a.m. Sun., 24th May, at 7 a.m. Wed., 27th May, at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA ...	"SUISANG" "KUTSANG" "HOSANG"	Tues., 19th May, at 10 a.m. Sat., 6th June, at 3 p.m. Tues., 10th June, at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, S'HAL, MOJI & KOBE ...	"KUTSANG"	Sun., 17th May, at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ...	"YUENSANG" "KUMSANG"	Sun., 31st May, at 7 a.m. Thurs., 18th June, at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Wed., 27th May, at Noon Fri., 5th June, at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW & POOCHOW ...	"CHITPHING" "CHEONGSHING"	Sun., 24th May, at 7 a.m. Sun., 7th June, at 7 a.m.
SEANGHAI ...	"WAISHING"	Satur., 10th May, at Noon

